Chapter 456

(House Bill 1409)

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County - Collection of Hotel Taxes and Distribution of Revenues - City of Annapolis

FOR the purpose of providing that Anne Arundel County may authorize the City of Annapolis to collect certain hotel tax revenue generated in the City of Annapolis; requiring the City of Annapolis to distribute and retain a certain percentage of the revenue under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the collection and distribution of hotel tax revenue generated in the City of Annapolis.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Local Government Section 20–603(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (2013 Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Local Government Section 20–603(b) Annotated Code of Maryland (2013 Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Local Government

20-603.

- (a) By ordinance, Anne Arundel County may impose a sales or use tax on:
 - (1) fuel and utilities used by commercial and industrial businesses;
 - (2) residential, commercial, and industrial telephone service; and
- (3) space rentals other than space rentals for the docking or storing of boats.

- (b) (1) Any revenues collected under subsection (a)(1) and (2) of this section in the City of Annapolis shall be allocated and distributed in equal amounts to the City of Annapolis and to Anna Arundel County.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any revenue generated in the City of Annapolis from the tax on space rentals shall be collected and retained by the City of Annapolis.
- (3) [Any] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (6) OF THIS SUBSECTION, ANY revenue generated in the City of Annapolis from the hotel tax shall be collected by Anne Arundel County.
- (4) From any revenue generated in the City of Annapolis from the hotel tax, Anne Arundel County shall distribute:
 - (i) 3% to the Arts Council of Anne Arundel County, Inc.; and
- (ii) 17% to the Annapolis and Anne Arundel County Conference and Visitors Bureau.
- (5) After making the distributions required under paragraph (4) of this subsection, the balance of the revenue generated in the City of Annapolis from the hotel tax shall be distributed to the City of Annapolis.
- (6) (I) ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY MAY AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS TO COLLECT REVENUE GENERATED IN THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS FROM THE HOTEL TAX.
- (II) IF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY AUTHORIZES THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS TO COLLECT REVENUE GENERATED IN THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS FROM THE HOTEL TAX, THE CITY OF ANNAPOLIS SHALL DISTRIBUTE A PERCENTAGE OF THE REVENUE IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION AND RETAIN THE BALANCE OF THE REVENUE GENERATED.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2014.

Approved by the Governor, May 5, 2014.