

HOUSE BILL 447

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By: **Charles County Delegation**

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Charles County – County Transfer Tax – Revenue Received by the Clerk of the**
3 **Circuit Court**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the percentage of revenue from the Charles County transfer
5 tax that the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the county is entitled to receive; providing
6 that this Act applies retroactively to revenue received by the Clerk of the Circuit
7 Court from the county transfer tax on or after a certain date; requiring the
8 Comptroller to remit to the Treasury Division of Charles County a certain balance of
9 county transfer taxes; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally
10 relating to revenue received by the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Charles County
11 from the county transfer tax.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
13 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
14 Section 2–213(a)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
18 Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
19 Section 2–213(e)
20 Annotated Code of Maryland
21 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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

3 **Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings**

4 2–213.

5 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the clerk of a circuit court is
6 entitled to 5% of all public money that the clerk receives, collects, and pays over.

7 (e) (1) **(I)** Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, the Clerk of the
8 Circuit Court for Charles County shall:

9 [(i)] **1.** Deduct from collection fees for the tax collected under Title
10 12 of the Tax – Property Article the cost of two–thirds of the salaries and benefits of the
11 court reporters for the Circuit Court of Charles County; and

12 [(ii)] **2.** Pay the amount deducted to the Charles County
13 Treasurer.

14 [(2)] **(II)** The Clerk shall make the payment promptly after receipt of a
15 voucher from the Charles County Treasurer stating the amount of the salaries and benefits
16 paid to the court reporters.

17 **(2) THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CHARLES COUNTY IS**
18 **ENTITLED TO RECEIVE:**

19 **(I) 0.5% OF THE AMOUNT COLLECTED FROM THE COUNTY**
20 **TRANSFER TAX; AND**

21 **(II) 5% OF ALL OTHER PUBLIC MONEY THAT THE CLERK**
22 **RECEIVES, COLLECTS, AND PAYS OVER.**

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to
24 apply retroactively to revenue collected by the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Charles County
25 from the county transfer tax on or after August 8, 2015. The Comptroller shall remit to the
26 Treasury Division of Charles County the balance of county transfer taxes that the county
27 is entitled to retain for those taxes collected on or after August 8, 2015, but before July 1,
28 2016.

29 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
30 1, 2016. It shall remain effective for a period of 3 months and, at the end of September 30,
31 2016, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated
32 and of no further force and effect.