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1	AN ACT concerning
2 3	Counties – Transportation Adequate Public Facility Law – State Highway Intersection
4 5 6 7 8 9	FOR the purpose of prohibiting a county from amending or repealing a transportation adequate public facility law in effect on a certain date; requiring that the level of traffic congestion at a State highway intersection be determined by the State Highway Administration for the purpose of determining whether development is allowed under a county transportation adequate public facility law; defining certain terms; and generally relating to determining the level of traffic congestion at State highway intersections under county transportation adequate public facility laws.
11 12 13 14 15	BY adding to Article – Land Use Section 7–105 Annotated Code of Maryland (2012 Volume and 2015 Supplement)
16 17	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
18	Article – Land Use
19	7–105.
20 21	(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
22 23	(2) "COUNTY ROAD" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 8–101 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE.



- 1 (3) "HIGHWAY" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 8–101 OF THE 2 TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE.
- 3 (4) "STATE HIGHWAY" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 8–101 OF THE 4 TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE.
- 5 (5) "STATE HIGHWAY INTERSECTION" MEANS THE INTERSECTION OF:
- 6 (I) STATE HIGHWAYS; OR
- 7 (II) A STATE HIGHWAY AND A COUNTY ROAD.
- 8 (6) "TRANSPORTATION ADEQUATE PUBLIC FACILITY LAW" MEANS AN
 9 ADEQUATE PUBLIC FACILITY LAW OR REGULATION THAT LIMITS DEVELOPMENT IN
 10 AN AREA IF TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN THE AREA EXCEEDS A SPECIFIED LEVEL OR
 11 WOULD EXCEED A SPECIFIED LEVEL IF DEVELOPMENT WERE TO PROCEED.
- 12 **(B) (1)** A COUNTY TRANSPORTATION ADEQUATE PUBLIC FACILITY LAW IN 13 EFFECT ON JANUARY 1, 2016, MAY NOT BE AMENDED OR REPEALED BY THE COUNTY.
- 14 (2) THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION SHALL MAKE ANY
 15 DETERMINATION OF THE LEVEL OF TRAFFIC CONGESTION AT A STATE HIGHWAY
 16 INTERSECTION FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING WHETHER DEVELOPMENT IS
 17 ALLOWED UNDER A TRANSPORTATION ADEQUATE PUBLIC FACILITY LAW.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 19 October 1, 2016.