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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Tax Court - Composition - Geographic Diversity**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing requirements that certain members of the Maryland Tax
4 Court reside in certain areas of the State; requiring that the composition of the
5 Maryland Tax Court reflect the geographic diversity of the population of the State;
6 and generally relating to the Maryland Tax Court.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Tax - General
9 Section 3-106(a)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1988 Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

14 **Article - Tax - General**

15 3-106.

16 (a) (1) The Tax Court consists of 5 judges appointed by the Governor from the
17 qualified voters of the State.

18 (2) Of the 5 judges, the Chief Judge and at least 1 other judge shall be
19 members of the Bar of the State.

20 (3) [Of the 5 judges, at least:

21 (i) 1 shall be a resident of Baltimore City;

22 (ii) 1 shall be a resident of the Eastern Shore; and

23 (iii) 1 shall be a resident of the Western Shore.] THE COMPOSITION
24 OF THE TAX COURT SHALL REFLECT THE GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY OF THE
25 POPULATION OF THE STATE.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
27 October 1, 1997.