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Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Property Tax Credit - Gunpowder Conservancy**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of a county or municipal corporation
4 to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation
5 property tax imposed on certain property owned by the Gunpowder Conservancy
6 and used for certain purposes.

7 BY adding to

8 Article - Tax - Property

9 Section 9-229

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (1994 Replacement 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 - Property**

15 9-229.

16 (A) THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE CITY OR THE
17 GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION MAY GRANT, BY
18 LAW, A PROPERTY TAX CREDIT AGAINST THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL
19 CORPORATION PROPERTY TAX IMPOSED ON PROPERTY THAT IS USED:

20 (1) TO ASSIST IN THE PRESERVATION OF A NATURAL AREA;

21 (2) FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC;

22 (3) GENERALLY TO PROMOTE CONSERVATION; OR

23 (4) FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF:

24 (I) A NATURAL AREA FOR PUBLIC USE; OR

25 (II) A SANCTUARY FOR WILDLIFE.

26 (B) THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE CITY OR THE
27 GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION MAY PROVIDE, BY
28 LAW, FOR:

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1 (1) THE AMOUNT AND DURATION OF THE PROPERTY TAX CREDIT
2 UNDER THIS SECTION; AND

3 (2) ANY OTHER PROVISION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE PROPERTY
4 TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION.

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
6 June 1, 1997.