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|  | CHAPTER |  |

1 AN ACT concerning

## 2 Limited Liability Companies - Tax Exemption for Transfers of Real Property From a

- 3 Predecessor Entity to a Limited Liability Company
- 4 FOR the purpose of clarifying that an instrument of writing that transfers title to real
- 5 property from certain entities to a limited liability company is not subject to
- 6 recordation tax or State or county transfer tax under certain circumstances; defining
- 7 a term; and generally relating to the recordation tax <u>and State and county tax</u>
- 8 exemption on certain transfers of real property from certain entities to a limited
- 9 liability company.
- 10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 11 Article Tax Property
- 12 Section 12-108(y) and 13-207(a)(18)
- 13 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 14 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)
- 15 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 16 <u>Article Tax Property</u>
- 17 <u>Section 13-405(c)</u>
- 18 <u>Annotated Code of Maryland</u>
- 19 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)
- 20 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 21 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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| 1        | Article - Tax - Property  |
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| 2        | 12-108.   |
| 3        | (y) (1) IN THIS SUBSECTION. "PREDECESSOR ENTITY" INCLUDES A:  |
| 4        | (I) GENERAL PARTNERSHIP;  |
| 5        | (II) LIMITED PARTNERSHIP;   |
| 6        | (III) LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP;  |
| 7        | (IV) LIMITED LIABILITY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP; AND   |
|          | (V) PROPRIETORSHIP, COMPRISED OF ONE OR MORE INDIVIDUALS, WHICH IS INVOLVED PRINCIPALLY IN BUYING, SELLING, LEASING, OR MANAGENIC DE AL PROPERTY, AND   |
| 10       | MANAGING REAL PROPERTY; AND   |
| 11       | (VI) JOINT VENTURE.   |
|          | (2) An instrument of writing that transfers title to real property from a [partnership] PREDECESSOR ENTITY OR A TRUSTEE OR NOMINEE OF A PREDECESSOR ENTITY to a limited liability company is not subject to recordation tax if:       |
|          | [(1)] (I) 1. the members of the limited liability company are identical to the partners of the converting GENERAL partnership, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP, OR LIMITED LIABILITY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP; [and] OR |
|          | 2. <u>THE MEMBERS OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY</u> ARE IDENTICAL TO THE INDIVIDUAL OR INDIVIDUALS OF THE CONVERTING PROPRIETORSHIP; OR  |
|          | $\underline{3.}$ THE MEMBERS OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ARE IDENTICAL TO THE JOINT VENTURERS OF THE CONVERTING JOINT VENTURE; $\underline{\text{AND}}$  |
|          | [(2)] (II) each member's allocation of the profits and losses of the limited liability company is identical to that member's allocation of the profits and losses of the converting [partnership] PREDECESSOR ENTITY=: AND            |
|          | (III) THE INSTRUMENT OF WRITING THAT TRANSFERS TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY REPRESENTS THE DISSOLUTION OF THE PREDECESSOR ENTITY FOR PURPOSES OF CONVERSION TO A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.   |
| 30       | <u>13-207.</u>  |
| 31<br>32 | (a) An instrument of writing is not subject to transfer tax to the same extent that it is not subject to recordation tax under:   |
| 33<br>34 | (18) § 12-108(y) of this article (Transfer from [partnership] PREDECESSOR ENTITY to limited liability company).   |
| 35       | <u>13-405.</u>  |
| 36       | (c) A corporate, limited liability company, or partnership transfer as described in   |

37 § 12-108(p), (q), (v), (w), and (y) of this article is not subject to the county transfer tax.

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