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CHAPTER ____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission - Prince George's County -**

3 **~~Metropolitan and Regional Districts~~ District**

4 **MC/PG 6-97**

5 FOR the purpose of ~~including all of Prince George's County within the~~
6 ~~Maryland-Washington Metropolitan District and within the Maryland-Washington~~
7 ~~Regional District; and generally relating to the inclusion of all of Prince George's~~
8 ~~County within the Maryland-Washington Metropolitan District and within the~~
9 ~~Maryland-Washington Regional~~ modifying the boundaries of the
10 Maryland-Washington Metropolitan District as it relates to Prince George's
11 County; providing for the construction of this Act; prohibiting Prince George's
12 County from collecting certain taxes that are due under certain circumstances; and
13 generally relating to the composition of the Metropolitan District.

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article 28 - Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission
16 Section 3-102(b) ~~and 7-103(b)~~
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (1993 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

19 ~~BY repealing~~
20 ~~Article 28 - Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission~~
21 ~~Section 3-102(e) and 7-104~~
22 ~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~
23 ~~(1993 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)~~

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

3 **Article 28 - Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission**

4 3-102.

5 (b) ~~{(1)}~~ The metropolitan district shall include all of Prince George's County
6 ~~except for those areas excluded under this subsection.~~

7 (2) The metropolitan district does not include the following municipal
8 corporations, as the municipal corporations' boundaries were defined as of July 1, 1995:

9 (i) District Heights; and

10 (ii) Greenbelt.

11 (3) The metropolitan district does not include ~~an area that includes~~ the City
12 of Laurel as its municipal corporate boundaries existed on July 1, ~~1995 and begins at the~~
13 ~~intersection of the Patuxent River and the median of Interstate Route 95, then south~~
14 ~~along Interstate Route 95 to the exact point where it intersects the Corporate Boundary~~
15 ~~of the City of Laurel, at the point approximately 500 feet north of the intersection of~~
16 ~~Interstate Route 95 and Maryland Route 198, then directly southeast from the middle of~~
17 ~~this intersection which then coincides with Contee Road directly to the intersection of~~
18 ~~Contee Road and Cherry Lane, then south and southeast along Contee Road to its~~
19 ~~intersection with U.S. Route 1 and the southern most point of the corporate boundary of~~
20 ~~the City of Laurel, then northeast, southeast, south, and east along the corporate~~
21 ~~boundary of the City of Laurel, to the exact point where it intersects the Patuxent River,~~
22 ~~then northeast, north, and northwest along the Patuxent River to its intersection with the~~
23 ~~median of Interstate Route 95~~ 1997.

24 (4) The metropolitan district does not include the following election
25 districts, as the election districts' boundaries were defined as of July 1, 1966:

26 (i) Election District No. 4; and

27 (ii) Election District No. 8}.

28 ~~7-103.~~

29 ~~(b) The entire area of Prince George's County is within the regional district [,~~
30 ~~with the exception of the City of Laurel, as its corporate boundaries are defined as of July~~
31 ~~1, 1994. A municipal corporation within the areas added by this subsection to the~~
32 ~~Maryland-Washington Regional District is not authorized, by means of an amendment to~~
33 ~~its charter or otherwise, to exercise any of the powers relating to planning, subdivision~~
34 ~~control, or zoning granted by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning~~
35 ~~Commission or the County Council of Prince George's County. If this subsection for any~~
36 ~~reason is held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, it is declared to be the~~
37 ~~intention of the General Assembly that this subsection is severable and that the~~
38 ~~remaining portions of this subsection would have been enacted without the invalid~~
39 ~~portions].~~

1 ~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 3-102(e) and~~
2 ~~7-104 of Article 28—Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission of the~~
3 ~~Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.~~

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That nothing in this Act may be
5 construed as to affect the rights of any bondholder as of the effective date of this Act.

6 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding the
7 provisions of Article 28 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Prince George's County may
8 not collect any delinquent Metropolitan District taxes owed but not levied before the
9 effective date of this Act under Article 28 of the Annotated Code of Maryland from those
10 persons who are residents of Election District 10, excluding public service companies.

11 ~~SECTION 3.~~ 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
12 July 1, 1997.