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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Property Tax Appeals - Appeals to Maryland Tax Court

3 FOR the purpose of providing that certain appeals to the Maryland Tax Court shall be

- 4 deemed to be filed on time if they are submitted by mail to the court with a
- 5 postmark date within the time allowed for appeal.

6 BY adding to

- 7 <u>Article Tax General</u>
- 8 <u>Section 13-510(c)</u>
- 9 <u>Annotated Code of Maryland</u>
- 10 (1988 Volume and 1996 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

- 12 Article Tax General
- 13 Section 13-516
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (1988 Volume and 1996 Supplement)

16 BY adding to

- 17 Article Tax Property
- 18 Section 14-512(g)
- 19 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 20 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)
- 21 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 22 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article - Tax - General

2 <u>13-510.</u>

3 (C) AN APPEAL TO THE MARYLAND TAX COURT UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL 4 BE DEEMED TO BE FILED WITHIN THE TIME ALLOWED FOR THE APPEAL IF A 5 WRITTEN PETITION IS MAILED TO THE MARYLAND TAX COURT WITH A POSTMARK 6 DATE WITHIN THE TIME ALLOWED FOR THE APPEAL.

7 13-516.

8 (a) To appeal to the Tax Court, a person or governmental unit shall file with the 9 Tax Court a written petition that states succinctly:

10 (1) the nature of the case;

- 11 (2) the facts on which the appeal is based; and
- 12 (3) each question presented for review by the Tax Court.

(b) An opposing party shall respond in accordance with the rules of procedure ofthe Tax Court.

15 Article - Tax - Property

16 14-512.

(G) AN APPEAL TO THE MARYLAND TAX COURT UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL
 BE DEEMED TO BE FILED WITHIN THE TIME ALLOWED FOR THE APPEAL IF A
 WRITTEN PETITION IS MAILED TO THE MARYLAND TAX COURT WITH A POSTMARK
 DATE WITHIN THE TIME ALLOWED FOR THE APPEAL.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 22 July 1, 1997.