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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

## 2 **Property Tax - Assessment Appeals**

- 3 FOR the purpose of altering the procedures governing the postponement of property
- 4 assessment appeal hearings.
- 5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 6 Article Tax Property
- 7 Section 1-402(7)
- 8 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 9 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)
- 10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 11 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 12 Article Tax Property
- 13 1-402.
- Property owners in this State have the following rights:
- 15 (7) the right to postponement of an assessment appeal hearing [up to 3
- 16 times] ONE TIME WITHOUT CAUSE at the property owner's request, and additional
- 17 [postponement] POSTPONEMENTS only for good cause;
- 18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 19 October 1, 1997.