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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_

## 1 AN ACT concerning

## 2 Garrett County - Personal Property Tax - Modification

- 3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Garrett County to reduce the
- 4 percent of the assessment on one or more classes or subclasses of specified personal
- 5 property; requiring the County to provide certain notice to the State Department of
- 6 Assessments and Taxation; providing that if notice is received by a specified date,
- 7 the change shall be effective as of a specified period; and generally relating to
- 8 authorization for the reduction of assessments on personal property in Garrett
- 9 County.

## 10 BY adding to

- 11 Article Tax Property
- 12 Section 7-511
- 13 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 14 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)
- 15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 16 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## 17 **Article - Tax - Property**

18 7-511.

- 19 (A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE GOVERNING BODY OF
- 20 GARRETT COUNTY MAY REDUCE, BY LAW, THE PERCENT OF THE ASSESSMENT ON
- 21 ONE OR MORE CLASSES OR SUBCLASSES OF PERSONAL PROPERTY LISTED UNDER §
- 22 8-101 OF THIS ARTICLE.

- 1 (B) (1) IF THE COUNTY REDUCES OR ELIMINATES THE PERCENTAGE OF
- 2 ASSESSMENT OF TAXABLE PERSONAL PROPERTY UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS
- 3 SECTION, THE COUNTY SHALL SUBMIT A COPY OF THE LAW TO THE DEPARTMENT.
- 4 (2) IF THE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES A COPY OF THE LAW ON OR BEFORE
- 5 MARCH 1, THE CHANGE SHALL BE EFFECTIVE FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR FOLLOWING
- 6 THE DATE THE LAW IS ENACTED.
- 7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 8 July 1, 1997.