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By: **Delegates Frank, Gordon, and Poole** Introduced and read first time: February 13, 1998

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Recordation and Transfer Taxes - Exemptions for Partnerships, Limited Liability Companies, and Corporations

4 FOR the purpose of providing for an exemption from the recordation tax and the

- 5 State and county transfer taxes for certain transfers of title to real property to or
- 6 from a partnership, limited liability company, or corporation under certain
- 7 circumstances.

8 BY adding to

- 9 Article Tax Property
- 10 Section 12-108(z) and 13-207(a)(19)
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)
- 13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 14 Article Tax Property
- 15 Section 13-207(a)(17) and (18) and 13-405(c)
- 16 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 17 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)
- 18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 19 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article - Tax - Property

21 12-108.

22 (Z) AN INSTRUMENT OF WRITING IS NOT SUBJECT TO RECORDATION TAX IF 23 THE INSTRUMENT OF WRITING IS:

- 24 (1) A TRANSFER OF TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY AS A CAPITAL
- 25 CONTRIBUTION TO A CORPORATION, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, OR A
- 26 PARTNERSHIP SOLELY IN EXCHANGE FOR AN EQUITY INTEREST IN THE ENTITY;

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(2) A TRANSFER OF TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY BETWEEN TWO
 PARTNERSHIPS OR BETWEEN TWO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES OR BETWEEN A
 PARTNERSHIP AND A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FOR NO CONSIDERATION OR
 NOMINAL CONSIDERATION IF:

5 (I) THE OWNERS AND THEIR RESPECTIVE INTERESTS OF BOTH 6 ENTITIES ARE IDENTICAL; AND

7 (II) THE OWNERS OF THE TRANSFEREE ENTITY ARE ORIGINAL
8 OWNERS OF THE TRANSFEROR ENTITY OR BECAME OWNERS THROUGH A GIFT OR
9 BEQUEST FROM AN ORIGINAL OWNER;

(3) ARTICLES OF MERGER OR A DOCUMENT WHICH EVIDENCES THE
 MERGER OF PARTNERSHIPS OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES IF THERE IS A
 TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY FROM A PARTNERSHIP OR LIMITED LIABILITY
 COMPANY MERGING OUT OF EXISTENCE TO ITS SUCCESSOR WHERE RECORDATION
 TAX AND, IF THEN REQUIRED TO HAVE BEEN PAID, TRANSFER TAX WERE PAID WHEN
 THE PARTNERSHIP OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY MERGING OUT OF EXISTENCE
 ACQUIRED TITLE TO THE REAL PROPERTY;

(4) A TRANSFER OF TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY FROM A PARTNERSHIP TO
 A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, A LIMITED LIABILITY TO A PARTNERSHIP, A
 GENERAL PARTNERSHIP TO A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, OR A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
 TO A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP IF:

21 (I) THE OWNERS AND THEIR RESPECTIVE INTERESTS IN BOTH 22 ENTITIES ARE IDENTICAL; AND

(II) THE OWNERS OF THE TRANSFEREE ENTITY ARE ORIGINAL
OWNERS OF THE TRANSFEROR ENTITY OR BECAME OWNERS THROUGH A GIFT OR
BEQUEST FROM AN ORIGINAL OWNER; OR

(5) A TRANSFER OF TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY FROM A CORPORATION OR
PARTNERSHIP OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY IN PARTIAL LIQUIDATION OF THE
CORPORATION OR PARTNERSHIP OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY IF THE
TRANSFEREE IS:

30 (I) AN ORIGINAL STOCKHOLDER OF THE CORPORATION OR AN
 31 ORIGINAL PARTNER OF THE PARTNERSHIP OR AN ORIGINAL MEMBER OF THE
 32 LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY;

(II) A DIRECT DESCENDANT OR RELATIVE WITHIN 2 DEGREES OF
 AN ORIGINAL STOCKHOLDER OF THE CORPORATION OR AN ORIGINAL PARTNER OF
 THE PARTNERSHIP OR AN ORIGINAL MEMBER OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
 COUNTING BY THE CIVIL LAW METHOD; OR

37 (III) A STOCKHOLDER OR A PARTNER OR A MEMBER WHO BECAME A
38 STOCKHOLDER OR A PARTNER OR A MEMBER THROUGH A GIFT OR BEQUEST FROM
39 AN ORIGINAL STOCKHOLDER OF THE CORPORATION OR AN ORIGINAL PARTNER OF
40 THE PARTNERSHIP OR AN ORIGINAL MEMBER OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY.

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1 13-207.

2 (a) An instrument of writing is not subject to transfer tax to the same extent 3 that it is not subject to recordation tax under:

4 (17) § 12-108(x) of this article (Cooperative housing corporations); [or]

5 (18) § 12-108(y) of this article (Transfer from predecessor entity to limited 6 liability company); OR

7 (19) § 12-108(Z) OF THIS ARTICLE (CERTAIN PARTNERSHIP AND 8 CORPORATE CONVEYANCES).

9 13-405.

10 (c) A corporate, limited liability company, or partnership transfer as described 11 in § 12-108(p), (q), (v), (w), [and] (y), AND (Z) of this article is not subject to the county 12 transfer tax.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 14 July 1, 1998.