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CHAPTER____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Frederick County - Criminal Justice Technology Enhancement Fund

- 3 FOR the purpose of establishing in Frederick County the Criminal Justice Technology
- 4 Enhancement Fund; requiring that an Oversight Committee be created to
- administer the Fund; providing for the membership of the Oversight Committee;
- 6 specifying that the Fund consist of certain charges collected by certain courts in
- 7 Frederick County; requiring that each person convicted of a criminal offense in
- 8 the county be assessed a certain charge; requiring that the charge be ordered by
- 9 the judge and collected by the court at the time of sentencing or disposition;
- requiring that the Oversight Committee use the Fund to purchase equipment
- for technical support services, such as computers, typewriters, and radio
- 12 communications equipment, for all criminal justice and law enforcement
- agencies in the County; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the
- 14 Criminal Justice Technology Enhancement Fund in Frederick County.
- 15 BY adding to
- 16 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- 17 Section 7-408
- 18 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 19 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)
- 20 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 21 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

SENATE BILL 500

1 **Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings** 2 7-408. IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS 3 (A) (1) 4 INDICATED. 5 "COUNTY" MEANS FREDERICK COUNTY. (2) "FUND" MEANS THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE TECHNOLOGY 6 7 ENHANCEMENT FUND. (1) THERE IS A CRIMINAL JUSTICE TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENT FUND 9 IN FREDERICK COUNTY. 10 (2) THE FUND SHALL BE CONTINUING AND NONLAPSING. THE FUND SHALL BE ADMINISTERED BY AN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE 11 (C) 12 THAT CONSISTS OF: THE SHERIFF FOR THE COUNTY: 13 (1) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OFFICE OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY FOR 14 (2) 15 THE COUNTY: THE POLICE CHIEF OF THE FREDERICK CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT; 16 (3) 17 (4) THE POLICE CHIEF OF THE BRUNSWICK POLICE DEPARTMENT; 18 (5) THE POLICE CHIEF OF THE THURMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT: 19 THE COMMANDER OF THE FREDERICK BARRACK OF THE STATE 20 POLICE; AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC, TO BE SELECTED BY THE OTHER 22 MEMBERS OF THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. THE FUND SHALL CONSIST OF ALL CHARGES COLLECTED UNDER 24 SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION. 25 THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN FREDERICK COUNTY. (E) (1) 26 THE DISTRICT COURT AND CIRCUIT COURT SHALL ASSESS A COURT 27 CHARGE OF \$5 FROM EACH PERSON CONVICTED OF A CRIMINAL OFFENSE. 28 THE CHARGE SHALL BE ORDERED BY THE JUDGE AND COLLECTED 29 BY THE COURT AT THE TIME OF SENTENCING OR DISPOSITION.

THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE SHALL USE THE FUND TO PURCHASE

31 EQUIPMENT FOR TECHNICAL SUPPORT SERVICES, SUCH AS COMPUTERS,

- 1 TYPEWRITERS, AND RADIO COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT FOR ALL CRIMINAL 2 JUSTICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN THE COUNTY.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 4 October 1, 1998.