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By: **Calvert County Delegation**

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CHAPTER_____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Calvert County - Special Taxing Districts - Developing and Financing**
3 **Infrastructure Improvements**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing Calvert County to exercise certain powers concerning
5 the creation of special taxing districts, the levying of certain taxes, and the
6 issuing of certain bonds for developing and financing certain infrastructure
7 improvements under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the
8 authority of Calvert County to create special taxing districts for developing and
9 financing infrastructure improvements.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
11 Article 24 - Political Subdivisions - Miscellaneous Provisions
12 Section 9-1301(a) and (c)(1) and (2)
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
16 Article 24 - Political Subdivisions - Miscellaneous Provisions
17 Section 9-1301(b)
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

20 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
21 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

1 **Article 24 - Political Subdivisions - Miscellaneous Provisions**

2 9-1301.

3 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

4 (2) "Bond" means a special obligation bond, revenue bond, note, or other
5 similar instrument issued by the county in accordance with this section.

6 (3) "Cost" includes the cost of:

7 (i) Construction, reconstruction, and renovation, and acquisition of
8 all lands, structures, real or personal property, rights, rights-of-way, franchises,
9 easements, and interests acquired or to be acquired by the county;

10 (ii) All machinery and equipment including machinery and
11 equipment needed to expand or enhance county services to the special taxing district;

12 (iii) Financing charges and interest prior to and during
13 construction, and, if deemed advisable by the county, for a limited period after
14 completion of the construction, interest and reserves for principal and interest,
15 including costs of municipal bond insurance and any other type of financial guaranty
16 and costs of issuance;

17 (iv) Extensions, enlargements, additions, and improvements;

18 (v) Architectural, engineering, financial, and legal services;

19 (vi) Plans, specifications, studies, surveys, and estimates of cost and
20 of revenues;

21 (vii) Administrative expenses necessary or incident to determining
22 to proceed with the infrastructure improvements; and

23 (viii) Other expenses as may be necessary or incident to the
24 construction, acquisition, and financing of the infrastructure improvements.

25 (b) This section applies only to Anne Arundel County, CALVERT COUNTY,
26 Charles County, Garrett County, Howard County, Prince George's County,
27 Washington County, and Wicomico County.

28 (c) (1) Subject to the provisions of this section, and for the purpose stated in
29 paragraph (2) of this subsection, the county may:

30 (i) Create a special taxing district;

31 (ii) Levy ad valorem or special taxes; and

32 (iii) Issue bonds and other obligations.

1 (2) The purpose of the authority granted under paragraph (1) of this
2 subsection is to provide financing, refinancing, or reimbursement for the cost of the
3 design, construction, establishment, extension, alteration, or acquisition of adequate
4 storm drainage systems, sewers, water systems, roads, bridges, culverts, tunnels,
5 streets, sidewalks, lighting, parking, parks and recreation facilities, libraries, schools,
6 transit facilities, solid waste facilities, and other infrastructure improvements as
7 necessary, whether situated within the special taxing district or outside the special
8 taxing district if the infrastructure improvement is reasonably related to other
9 infrastructure improvements within the special taxing district, for the development
10 and utilization of the land, each with respect to any defined geographic region within
11 the county.

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
13 effect October 1, 2000.