
By: **Senator Middleton**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Charles County - Assessment of Planned Development Land in Priority**
3 **Funding Area**

4 FOR the purpose of providing that in Charles County certain provisions for
5 assessment of certain land located in certain planned development areas do not
6 apply to certain land in an area designated by the governing body of Charles
7 County as a priority funding area under the State priority funding areas law;
8 requiring that certain county property tax revenue in Charles County be
9 separately accounted for and used for certain purposes; and generally relating to
10 the property tax assessment of certain land located in certain planned
11 development areas in Charles County.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article - Tax - Property
14 Section 8-220
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

19 **Article - Tax - Property**

20 8-220.

21 (a) The General Assembly states that it is in the public interest to provide for
22 the development of lands in a planned manner.

- 1 (b) The development of lands in a planned manner is necessary to:
- 2 (1) obtain economic and environmental benefits;
- 3 (2) relieve economic pressures that result from the assessment of
4 planned development land at levels inconsistent with planned development;
- 5 (3) aid the assembly of land for planned development land;
- 6 (4) facilitate cooperation among landowners; and
- 7 (5) permit holding of planned development land in an undeveloped
8 status for orderly and staged improvement, particularly for the development of new
9 communities.

10 (C) (1) IN CHARLES COUNTY, THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS
11 SECTION AND §§ 8-221 THROUGH 8-225 OF THIS SUBTITLE DO NOT APPLY TO LAND
12 THAT:

13 (I) IS WITHIN AN AREA DESIGNATED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF
14 CHARLES COUNTY AS A PRIORITY FUNDING AREA UNDER § 5-7B-03 OF THE STATE
15 FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE; AND

16 (II) IS WITHIN THE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ESTABLISHED BY
17 CHARLES COUNTY THAT IS SERVED BY THE MATTAWOMAN WASTEWATER
18 TREATMENT PLANT.

19 (2) THE INCREASE IN COUNTY PROPERTY TAX REVENUES IN CHARLES
20 COUNTY AS A RESULT OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE
21 SEPARATELY ACCOUNTED FOR AND SHALL BE USED TO PROVIDE FOR PROGRAMS TO
22 ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF LIFE WITHIN THE ST. CHARLES COMMUNITY.

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