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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City - Hotel Room Tax - Extension of Sunset**

3 FOR the purpose of extending to certain fiscal years a provision limiting the rate of a
4 hotel room tax that may be imposed by Baltimore City; extending to a certain
5 date a provision requiring that for certain fiscal years certain amounts
6 measured by proceeds from a hotel room tax imposed by Baltimore City be
7 appropriated for certain purposes; and generally relating to hotel room taxes
8 and convention center marketing and tourism promotion in Baltimore City.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 The Charter of Baltimore City
11 Article II - General Powers
12 Section (40)(e)
13 (1996 Edition, as amended)
14 (As enacted by Chapters 611 and 612 of the Acts of the General Assembly of
15 1997)

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

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The Charter of Baltimore City

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Article II - General Powers

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4 The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall have full power and authority to
5 exercise all of the powers heretofore or hereafter granted to it by the Constitution of
6 Maryland or by any Public General or Public Local Laws of the State of Maryland;
7 and in particular, without limitation upon the foregoing, shall have power by
8 ordinance, or such other method as may be provided for in its Charter, subject to the
9 provisions of said Constitution and Public General Laws:

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(40) (e) (1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, for any fiscal
10 year beginning before July 1, [2002] 2007, the rate of any hotel room tax imposed by
11 the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore may not exceed 7.5%.

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(2) For each fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 1997 but
13 before July 1, [2002,] 2007, the Mayor and City Council shall appropriate from its
14 general fund specifically for convention center marketing and tourism promotion an
15 amount equal to at least 40% of the proceeds of any hotel room tax imposed.

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(3) If the appropriation made for any fiscal year pursuant to
17 paragraph (2) of this subsection is less than the amount required when compared to
18 actual receipts for the completed fiscal year, the difference shall be added to the
19 appropriation to be made for the second succeeding fiscal year. If the appropriation
20 made for any fiscal year pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection is more than the
21 amount required when compared to actual receipts for the completed fiscal year, the
22 difference may be deleted from the appropriation to be made for the second
23 succeeding fiscal year.

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SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect

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July 1, 2001.