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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Housing and Community Development - Existing Rural**  
3 **Housing Stock - Use of Federal Funds**

4 FOR the purpose of altering a certain definition of "growth-related projects" in the  
5 law governing priority funding areas to exempt certain projects for the purchase  
6 or rehabilitation of single-family or multifamily housing if funded with federal  
7 moneys.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article - State Finance and Procurement  
10 Section 5-7B-01(d)(2)  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (1995 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - State Finance and Procurement**

16 5-7B-01.

17 (d) (2) "Growth-related project" does not include:

18 (i) projects by the Department of General Services for  
19 maintenance, repair, additions, or renovations to existing facilities, acquisition of land

1 for telecommunications towers, parks, conservation and open space, and acquisition  
2 of agricultural, conservation, and historic easements;

3 (ii) funding by the Department of Housing and Community  
4 Development for any project financed with FEDERAL MONEYS USED TO PURCHASE  
5 OR REHABILITATE EXISTING SINGLE OR MULTIFAMILY HOUSING OR PROJECT  
6 FINANCED WITH the proceeds of revenue bonds issued by the Community  
7 Development Administration if:

8 1. the Secretary of Housing and Community Development  
9 determines that application of this section:

10 A. conflicts with any provision of federal or State law  
11 applicable to the issuance or tax-exempt status of the bonds;

12 B. conflicts with any provision of any trust agreement  
13 between the Community Development Administration and any trustee; or

14 C. would otherwise prohibit financing of an existing project,  
15 or financing provided to cure or prevent any default under existing financing; or

16 2. the revenue bonds are issued under a transfer of the  
17 Maryland State ceiling to the Administration by a county under Title 13, Subtitle 8 of  
18 the Financial Institutions Article; or

19 (iii) any other project, funding, or other State assistance not listed  
20 under paragraph (1) of this subsection.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
22 July 1, 2001.