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By: **Southern Maryland Delegation**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland - Advisory Board on Consumer**
3 **Affairs**

4 FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions of law that established an advisory
5 board on consumer affairs under the jurisdiction of the Tri-County Council for
6 Southern Maryland and that establish procedures for filing consumer
7 complaints with the advisory board and for investigating and resolving those
8 complaints; repealing certain obsolete definitions; and generally relating to the
9 repeal of the advisory board on consumer affairs serving the Calvert, Charles,
10 and St. Mary's tri-county area.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article 20 - Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland
13 Section 1-102
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2001 Replacement Volume)

16 BY repealing
17 Article 20 - Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland
18 Section 4-101 through 4-108, inclusive, and the title "Title 4. Consumer Affairs"
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (2001 Replacement Volume)

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

1 Article 20 - Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland

2 1-102.

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

4 (b) "Area" means the regional planning and development area that includes
5 all of Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's counties.

6 (c) "Commissioners" means the county commissioners of Calvert, Charles, and
7 St. Mary's counties.

8 (d) ["Consumer" means a purchaser, lessee or recipient or prospective
9 purchaser, lessee or recipient of consumer goods or services or consumer credit.

10 (e) "Consumer goods, services, credit and debts" are goods, services, credit,
11 debts and obligations which are primarily for personal, household, family or
12 agricultural purposes.

13 (f) "Council" means the Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland.

14 [(g)] (E) "Plan" means a regional plan prepared by the Council for all of
15 Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's counties.

16 [(h)] (F) "Region" means the area that includes all of Calvert, Charles, and
17 St. Mary's counties.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 4-101
19 through 4-108, inclusive, and the title "Title 4. Consumer Affairs" of Article 20 -
20 Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland of the Annotated Code of Maryland be
21 repealed.

22 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
23 effect October 1, 2002.