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## 1 AN ACT concerning

## 2 Maryland Breast Cancer Research Fund - Income Tax Checkoff

- 3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Breast Cancer Research Fund within
- 4 the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to be used to provide grants for
- 5 breast cancer research; requiring that all expenditures from the Fund be made
- 6 only through an appropriation in the annual State budget or through an
- 7 approved budget amendment; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental
- 8 Hygiene to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Secretary to submit a
- 9 certain report each year to the General Assembly on the administration of the
- Fund; requiring the Comptroller to include a checkoff on individual income tax

- 1 return forms for voluntary contributions to the Fund and to include certain
- 2 information in each individual income tax return package; requiring the
- 3 Comptroller to collect and account for contributions made through the checkoff
- 4 system and to credit the proceeds to the Fund after deducting the amount
- 5 necessary to administer the checkoff; providing for the application of this Act;
- and generally relating to the Maryland Breast Cancer Research Fund and an
- 7 income tax checkoff for contributions to the Fund.
- 8 BY adding to
- 9 Article Health General
- 10 Section 20-117
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)
- 13 BY adding to
- 14 Article Tax General
- 15 Section 2-112 and 10-804(h)
- 16 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 17 (1997 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)
- 18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 19 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 20 Article Health General
- 21 20-117.
- 22 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
- 23 INDICATED.
- 24 (2) "BREAST CANCER RESEARCH" INCLUDES RESEARCH TO DEVELOP
- 25 AND ADVANCE THE UNDERSTANDING OF BREAST CANCER AND THE TECHNIQUES
- 26 AND MODALITIES EFFECTIVE IN THE PREVENTION, CURE, SCREENING, AND
- 27 TREATMENT OF BREAST CANCER.
- 28 (3) "FUND" MEANS THE MARYLAND BREAST CANCER RESEARCH FUND
- 29 ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 30 (4) "INCOME TAX CHECKOFF SYSTEM" MEANS THE CHECKOFF SYSTEM
- 31 ESTABLISHED UNDER § 2-112 OF THE TAX GENERAL ARTICLE.
- 32 (B) (1) THERE IS A MARYLAND BREAST CANCER RESEARCH FUND.
- 33 (2) THE NET PROCEEDS FROM CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER THE INCOME
- 34 TAX CHECKOFF SYSTEM AND ANY OTHER DONATIONS TO THE FUND SHALL BE
- 35 CREDITED TO THE FUND.
- 36 (3) THE SECRETARY SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND.

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- 1 (4) THE FUND SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR BREAST CANCER RESEARCH 2 AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.
- 3 (5) THE FUND SHALL BE MAINTAINED FOR THE PURPOSES STATED IN
- 4 THIS SECTION AND UNSPENT PORTIONS OF THE FUND SHALL REMAIN IN THE FUND
- 5 AND MAY NOT REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE.
- 6 (6) MONEYS EXPENDED FROM THE FUND FOR BREAST CANCER
- 7 RESEARCH ARE SUPPLEMENTAL AND ARE NOT INTENDED TO TAKE THE PLACE OF
- 8 FUNDING THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR
- 9 BREAST CANCER RESEARCH.
- 10 (7) ALL EXPENDITURES FROM THE FUND SHALL BE MADE ONLY IN
- 11 ACCORDANCE WITH AN APPROPRIATION APPROVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN
- 12 THE ANNUAL STATE BUDGET OR THROUGH AN APPROVED BUDGET AMENDMENT
- 13 UNDER §§ 7-209 AND 7-210 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.
- 14 (C) (1) THE SECRETARY MAY DISTRIBUTE NOT MORE THAN 5% OF THE NET
- 15 PROCEEDS OF THE FUND TO A PROMOTIONAL ACCOUNT TO BE USED TO PROMOTE
- 16 FURTHER DONATIONS TO THE FUND.
- 17 (2) AFTER MAKING THE DISTRIBUTION ALLOWED UNDER PARAGRAPH
- 18 (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE SECRETARY SHALL USE THE REMAINDER OF THE NET
- 19 PROCEEDS OF THE FUND ONLY TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO ELIGIBLE PHYSICIANS.
- 20 HOSPITALS, LABORATORIES, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, AND OTHER
- 21 ORGANIZATIONS AND PERSONS TO CONDUCT BREAST CANCER RESEARCH.
- 22 (D) (1) ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 31 OF EACH YEAR, THE SECRETARY SHALL
- 23 SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, PURSUANT TO § 2-1246 OF THE
- 24 STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE MARYLAND
- 25 BREAST CANCER RESEARCH FUND.
- 26 (2) THE REPORT REQUIRED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL INCLUDE:
- 27 (I) THE GROSS AMOUNT OF DONATIONS TO THE FUND THROUGH
- 28 THE INCOME TAX CHECKOFF SYSTEM AND OTHERWISE;
- 29 (II) THE COSTS OF ADMINISTRATION BY THE COMPTROLLER OF
- 30 THE INCOME TAX CHECKOFF SYSTEM;
- 31 (III) A DESCRIPTION OF PROMOTIONAL EFFORTS UNDERTAKEN
- 32 WITH MONEY FROM THE FUND; AND
- 33 (IV) A DETAILED ACCOUNTING OF THE USE OF THE FUND.
- 34 (E) THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT A BREAST
- 35 CANCER RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THIS SECTION.

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## HOUSE BILL 1000 1 Article - Tax - General 2 2-112. THE COMPTROLLER SHALL INCLUDE ON THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME 3 (A) (1) 4 TAX RETURN FORM A CHECKOFF DESIGNATED AS THE "MARYLAND BREAST CANCER 5 RESEARCH FUND CONTRIBUTION". THE CHECKOFF SHALL STATE THAT: 6 (2) 7 THE INDIVIDUAL, OR EACH SPOUSE IN THE CASE OF A JOINT (I) 8 RETURN, MAY CONTRIBUTE TO THE MARYLAND BREAST CANCER RESEARCH FUND 9 THE AMOUNT DESIGNATED BY THE INDIVIDUAL: AND 1. THE INDIVIDUAL SHALL DEDUCT THE AMOUNT OF THE 11 CONTRIBUTION FROM ANY REFUND TO WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL IS ENTITLED; OR 12 IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS NOT ENTITLED TO A REFUND, THE 13 INDIVIDUAL SHALL ADD THE AMOUNT OF THE CONTRIBUTION TO THE INCOME TAX 14 TO BE PAID WITH THE RETURN. THE COMPTROLLER SHALL INCLUDE, WITH THE INDIVIDUAL 15 16 INCOME TAX RETURN PACKAGE, A DESCRIPTION OF THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE 17 MARYLAND BREAST CANCER RESEARCH FUND WAS ESTABLISHED AND THE 18 PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE FUND MAY BE USED. 19 (B) THE COMPTROLLER SHALL: COLLECT THE CHECKOFF CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACCOUNT TO THE 20 (1) 21 STATE TREASURER FOR THE MONEY COLLECTED; 22 FROM THE CONTRIBUTIONS COLLECTED, DISTRIBUTE THE AMOUNT 23 NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER THE CHECKOFF SYSTEM TO AN ADMINISTRATIVE COST 24 ACCOUNT: AND AFTER THE DISTRIBUTION UNDER ITEM (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION. 25 (3) 26 DISTRIBUTE THE REMAINDER OF THE MONEY COLLECTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION 27 TO THE MARYLAND BREAST CANCER RESEARCH FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 20-117 28 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE. 29 10-804. AN INDIVIDUAL MAY DESIGNATE A CONTRIBUTION TO THE MARYLAND 30 31 BREAST CANCER RESEARCH FUND, ESTABLISHED UNDER § 20-117 OF THE HEALTH -

32 GENERAL ARTICLE, BY THE CHECKOFF SYSTEM ON THE RETURN.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 34 July 1, 2004 and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after December 31,