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## ENROLLED BILL

-- Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs/Environmental Matters --

Introduced by Chairman, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
Committee (By Request - Departmental - Housing and Community
Development) and Senators Middleton and Colburn

Read and Examined by Proofreaders: Proofreader. Proofreader. Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_M. President. CHAPTER\_\_\_\_ 1 AN ACT concerning **Department of Housing and Community Development - Community** 2 3 **Development Administration - Grants to Home Buyers** FOR the purpose of authorizing the Community Development Administration of the Department of Housing and Community Development to award eertain grants 5 to home buyers for settlement expenses under certain circumstances; making 6 7 stylistic changes; and generally relating to grants to home buyers from the 8 Community Development Administration. 9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article 83B - Department of Housing and Community Development 10 Section 2-201(b) 11 12 Annotated Code of Maryland

- **SENATE BILL 66** 1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 2 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: 3 **Article 83B - Department of Housing and Community Development** 4 2-201. 5 The Administration is hereby created as a division of the Department (b) (1) 6 to coordinate the various activities and programs which may contribute to sound 7 community development, to encourage and facilitate the development of new and 8 existing communities by reducing the costs of development through grants, loans, and 9 other forms of financial assistance, to encourage and facilitate energy conservation 10 and the utilization of solar energy in housing and commercial buildings by providing 11 grants, loans, and other forms of financial assistance, making available land for such 12 development and by assisting the efforts of private enterprise, municipalities, 13 counties, local public agencies, local development corporations, and nonprofit 14 organizations. 15 Except AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS (2) (I)16 PARAGRAPH, RECIPIENTS OF [for grants which may be awarded to the 17 Administration under federal law, including without limitation Title V of the Energy 18 Security Act, P.L. 96-294, grants GRANTS of land or money shall be limited to local 19 governments or to organizations which are defined under § 2-203(q), (r), (u), and (v) 20 of this subtitle, EXCEPT FOR:. THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS 21 22 PARAGRAPH DO NOT APPLY TO GRANTS THAT MAY BE AWARDED TO THE 23 ADMINISTRATION UNDER FEDERAL LAW, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION TITLE V 24 OF THE ENERGY SECURITY ACT, P.L. 96-294; AND.
- 25 (II) <u>2.</u> GRANTS BY THE ADMINISTRATION <u>THE ADMINISTRATION</u>
- 26 MAY AWARD GRANTS TO HOME BUYERS FOR SETTLEMENT EXPENSES AS PROVIDED
- 27 BY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS TITLE.
- 28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
- 29 effect October 1, 2004.