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Q38lr1014 HB 643/06 – W&M (PRE-FILED) By: **Delegate Ross** Requested: November 5, 2007 Introduced and read first time: January 9, 2008 Assigned to: Ways and Means A BILL ENTITLED AN ACT concerning Income Tax - Itemized Deductions - Treatment of Gambling Losses FOR the purpose of providing for the Maryland income tax treatment of certain losses from gambling; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland income tax treatment of gambling losses. BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article - Tax - General Section 10-218 Annotated Code of Maryland (2004 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement) SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Tax - General

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- 15 (a) Only an individual who itemizes deductions on the individual's federal income tax return may elect to itemize deductions on the individual's income tax return.
- 18 (b) An individual who elects to itemize deductions is allowed as a deduction 19 the sum of the individual's federal itemized deductions:
 - (1) limited and reduced as required under the Internal Revenue Code;

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AND

- 1 (2) further reduced by any amount deducted under § 170 of the
 2 Internal Revenue Code for contributions of a preservation or conservation easement
 3 for which a credit is claimed under § 10–723 of this title; [and]
 4 (3) further reduced by the amount claimed as taxes on income paid to
 5 a state or political subdivision of a state, after subtracting a pro rata portion of the
 6 reduction to itemized deductions required under § 68 of the Internal Revenue Code;
- 8 (4) FURTHER REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF ANY WAGERING 9 LOSSES DEDUCTED UNDER § 165(D) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2008, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2007.