CHAPTER 245

(Senate Bill 343)

AN ACT concerning

Allegany County - Video Lottery Construction - Local Impact Grants - Rocky Gap Construction Costs

FOR the purpose of authorizing local impact grants from proceeds of certain video lottery terminals to be used in Allegany County for certain purposes and to pay down certain debt incurred by the county in the construction and related costs for the golf course, lodge, and other improvements in Rocky Gap State Park; and generally relating to video lottery gaming and local impact grants from gaming proceeds in Allegany County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 9–1A–02(b)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2004 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 9–1A–31(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2004 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

Article - State Government

9-1A-02.

(b) (1) The Commission shall regulate the operation of video lottery terminals in accordance with this subtitle.

9-1A-31.

(b) (1) [Local] **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, LOCAL** impact grants provided under subsection (a)(1)(i) of this section shall be used for improvements in the communities in immediate proximity to the video lottery facilities and may be used for the following purposes:

- [(1)] (I) infrastructure improvements;
- [(2)] **(II)** facilities;
- [(3)] (III) public safety;
- [(4)] (IV) sanitation;
- [(5)] **(V)** economic and community development, including housing; and
 - [(6)] **(VI)** other public services and improvements.
- (2) IN ALLEGANY COUNTY, LOCAL IMPACT GRANTS PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(1)(I) OF THIS SECTION MAY BE USED:
- (I) FOR PURPOSES LISTED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY; AND
- (II) TO PAY DOWN THE DEBT INCURRED BY THE COUNTY IN THE CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED COSTS FOR THE GOLF COURSE, LODGE, AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS IN ROCKY GAP STATE PARK.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor, May 7, 2009.