Chapter 428

(House Bill 647)

AN ACT concerning

Department of Natural Resources – Conservation Service Opportunities – Procurement Exemption

FOR the purpose of exempting from certain provisions of the State Procurement law certain grants, agreements, or partnerships related to conservation service opportunities negotiated or entered into by the Department of Natural Resources and nonprofit entities; <u>making this Act an emergency measure</u>; and generally relating to procurement exemptions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – State Finance and Procurement Section 11–203(a)(1)(xvii) and (xviii) Annotated Code of Maryland (2009 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement Section 11–203(a)(1)(xix) Annotated Code of Maryland (2009 Replacement Volume)

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

Article – State Finance and Procurement

11-203.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, this Division II does not apply to:

(1) procurement by:

(xvii) the Maryland Developmental Disabilities Administration of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene for family and individual support services, and individual family care services, as those terms are defined by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene in regulation; [and] (xviii) the Department of General Services for the renovation of a structure that:

1. was built during the 18th or 19th century; and

2. is listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places; **AND**

(XIX) THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, FOR NEGOTIATING OR ENTERING INTO GRANTS, AGREEMENTS, OR PARTNERSHIPS WITH NONPROFIT ENTITIES RELATED TO CONSERVATION SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES;

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2010 is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved by the Governor, May 4, 2010.