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## A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
2 3	Maryland Environmental Trust – Conservation Easements – Land Draining into Reservoirs
4 5 6 7 8	FOR the purpose of requiring the trustees of the Maryland Environmental Trust to consider an offer to donate a conservation easement on land that drains into a reservoir in the State without regard to the size of the property; and generally relating to the Maryland Environmental Trust and conservation easement donations.
9 10 11 12 13	BY adding to Article – Natural Resources Section 3–203.2 Annotated Code of Maryland (2005 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)
14 15	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
16	Article - Natural Resources
17	3–203.2.
18 19 20 21 22	NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, WHEN ANY PERSON OFFERS TO DONATE A CONSERVATION EASEMENT TO THE MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST ON LAND THAT DRAINS INTO A RESERVOIR IN THE STATE, THE TRUSTEES SHALL CONSIDER THE OFFER WITHOUT REGARD TO THE SIZE OF THE PROPERTY THAT IS SUBJECT TO THE EASEMENT.
23 24	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2012.

