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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

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County Property Tax – Personal Property Rate

- FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county to set a tax rate for personal property and certain operating real property of less than a certain amount; repealing an obsolete provision; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to setting the county tax rate for personal property and certain operating real property.
- 9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 10 Article Tax Property
- 11 Section 6–302
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (2012 Replacement Volume)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

- 16 Article Tax Property
- 17 6–302.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section and after complying with §
6-305 of this subtitle, in each year after the date of finality and before the following
July 1, the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of each

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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county annually shall set the tax rate for the next taxable year on all assessments of
 property subject to that county's property tax.

3 (b) (1) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, §§ 6-305 and 4 6-306 of this subtitle and § 6-203 of this title:

5 (i) there shall be a single county property tax rate for all real 6 property subject to county property tax except for operating real property described in 7 § 8–109(c) of this article; and

8 (ii) the county tax rate applicable to personal property and the 9 operating real property described in § 8–109(c) of this article [for taxable years 10 beginning after June 30, 2001] shall be **NO MORE THAN** 2.5 times the rate for real 11 property.

12 (2) Paragraph (1) of this subsection does not affect a special rate 13 prevailing in a taxing district or part of a county.

14 (c) (1) Intangible personal property is subject to county property tax as 15 otherwise provided in this title at a rate set annually, if:

16 (i) the intangible personal property has paid interest or 17 dividends during the 12 months that precede the date of finality;

(ii) interest or dividends were withheld on the intangible
personal property during the 12 months that precede the date of finality to avoid the
tax under this subsection;

(iii) the intangible personal property consists of newly issued
 bonds, certificates of indebtedness, or evidences of debt on which interest is not in
 default; or

(iv) a stock dividend has been declared on the intangible
 personal property during the 12 months that precede the date of finality.

26 (2) The county tax rate for the intangible personal property is 30 cents 27 for each \$100 of assessment.

28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 29 June 1, 2013, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 30 2013.

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