

Chapter 111

**(House Bill 148)**

AN ACT concerning

**State Archives – Care of Fine Art or Decorative Art – Procurement Exemption**

FOR the purpose of exempting the preservation, conservation, proper care, restoration, and transportation of certain art by the State Archives from certain provisions of State procurement law; and generally relating to exemptions from the procurement law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – State Finance and Procurement  
Section 11–203(a)(1)(xvii) and (xviii)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

BY adding to  
Article – State Finance and Procurement  
Section 11–203(a)(1)(xix)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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 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]

(xviii) the Department of Natural Resources, for negotiating or entering into grants, agreements, or partnerships with nonprofit entities related to conservation service opportunities; AND

**(XIX) THE STATE ARCHIVES FOR PRESERVATION, CONSERVATION, PROPER CARE, RESTORATION, AND TRANSPORTATION OF FINE ART OR DECORATIVE ART THAT IS:**

- 1. IN THE CUSTODY OF THE COMMISSION ON ARTISTIC PROPERTY; AND**
- 2. OWNED BY OR LOANED TO THE STATE;**

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2017.

**Approved by the Governor, April 11, 2017.**