

Chapter 767

(House Bill 130)

AN ACT concerning

Video Lottery Terminal Proceeds – Local Impact Grants – Distribution to Communities Near Laurel Race Course

FOR the purpose of repealing the termination of a certain distribution of local impact grant funds from video lottery terminal proceeds to communities within a certain distance of the Laurel Race Course; and generally relating to the distribution of local impact grant funds from video lottery terminal proceeds.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–31(a)(1) through (3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 9–1A–31(a)(4)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 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–31.

(a) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (8) of this subsection, the local impact grants provided under § 9–1A–27 of this subtitle shall be distributed as provided in this subsection.

(2) The following amounts shall be distributed to the following jurisdictions:

- (i) Allegany County – \$200,000;
- (ii) Cecil County – \$130,000;
- (iii) Town of Perryville – \$70,000; and
- (iv) Worcester County – \$200,000.

(3) The remaining funds for local impact grants shall be distributed in the following manner:

(i) 82% to the local jurisdictions with video lottery facilities, based on each jurisdiction's percentage of overall gross revenues from video lottery terminals; and

(ii) except as provided in paragraph (4) of this subsection, for operations at a video lottery facility starting in fiscal year 2012 and ending in fiscal year 2032, 18% to Baltimore City with the Pimlico Community Development Authority acting as the local development council in accordance with subsection (d) of this section, to be distributed primarily for capital projects benefiting economic and community development in the following manner:

1. at least 75% in a manner that is consistent with the Park Heights Master Plan; and

2. the remainder dedicated to the needs of:

A. any census blockgroup that Baltimore City identifies as being located partly or entirely within 1 mile of Pimlico Race Course but not within the boundaries of the Park Heights Master Plan in a manner that is consistent with adopted neighborhood priorities;

B. any neighborhood included in the Northwest Community Planning Forum Strategic Neighborhood Action Plan in a manner that is consistent with the adopted Northwest Community Planning Forum Strategic Neighborhood Action Plan priorities; and

C. beginning after a video lottery operation license is issued to a video lottery facility in Baltimore City, any neighborhood within an area bounded by Liberty Heights Avenue, Northern Parkway, Druid Park Drive, and Wabash Avenue in a manner that is consistent with adopted neighborhood priorities.

(4) (i) Of the amount specified under paragraph (3)(ii) of this subsection:

1. \$1,000,000 shall be provided annually to Prince George's County to be used for public safety projects in the community within 5 miles surrounding Rosecroft Raceway; and

2. [for fiscal years 2015 through 2019,] \$500,000 shall be provided annually for impact aid to be distributed as provided under § 11-404(d) of the Business Regulation Article to help pay for facilities and services in communities within 3 miles of the Laurel Race Course.

(ii) The Legislative Policy Committee shall report its findings and recommendations concerning the advisability of the continuation of the distribution of funds after fiscal year 2032 to the Comptroller and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of this article, the General Assembly, on or before November 1, 2030.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2018.

Approved by the Governor, May 15, 2018.