Chapter 84

(House Bill 155)

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County – Emergency Services Tax Revenue – Authorized Use

FOR the purpose of authorizing, instead of requiring, certain emergency services tax revenue in St. Mary's County to be used for a certain purpose under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the St. Mary's County emergency services tax.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County Section 49–1B.(1)(A) Article 19 – Public Local Laws of Maryland (2007 Edition and March 2015 Supplement, as amended)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County Section 49–1E. Article 19 – Public Local Laws of Maryland (2007 Edition and March 2015 Supplement, as amended)

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

Article 19 – St. Mary's County

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B. (1) (A) The Board of County Commissioners for St. Mary's County is authorized to impose annually an emergency services tax on all real and personal property located in the election districts of St. Mary's County.

E. Any emergency services tax revenue that exceeds the budgetary needs of the emergency services providers [shall] MAY be used to reduce the emergency services tax for the next fiscal year.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2020.

Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 8, 2020.