

all taxing powers heretofore granted by the General Assembly, the power to tax to the same extent as the state has or could exercise said power within the limits of the county as a part of its general taxing power, WHICH INCLUDES THE POWER TO IMPOSE AND PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF DEVELOPMENT IMPACT TAXES FOR FINANCING, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, THE CAPITAL COSTS OF ADDITIONAL OR EXPANDED PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES REQUIRED TO ACCOMMODATE NEW CONSTRUCTION OR DEVELOPMENT; and to provide by resolution for the imposition, assessment, levy and collection of any tax or taxes authorized by this section; and from time to time to grant exemptions and to modify or repeal existing or future exemptions.

(c) On or after June 1, 1963, no tax shall be levied or imposed by the county pursuant to any of the provisions of this division unless the levy or imposition of the tax is advertised for three consecutive weeks in two newspapers having a general circulation in the county. After such advertising a public hearing shall be held concerning the levy and imposition of such tax. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any tax levied and imposed prior to June 1, 1963.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason in a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and for this purpose the provisions of this Act are declared severable.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the provisions of this Act are intended to clarify and confirm the authority of Montgomery County to impose a development impact fee as a tax.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1990.

Approved May 29, 1990.

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CHAPTER 708

(House Bill 1540)

AN ACT concerning

**Procurement – Minority Business Participation**

FOR the purpose of providing for the certification of minority business enterprises through a single process; altering certain definitions relating to minority business participation in State government; requiring a certain study and the issuance of a certain report by a certain date; making provisions of this Act severable; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to minority business participation in State procurement.