

authority in respect to each housing project in lieu of taxes; or (b) a sum, if any, which said city or political subdivision has agreed to accept in respect to a project or projects in lieu of taxes; provided further,] *In lieu of such taxes and special assessments, an authority shall make payments to the city or political subdivision of the State in which a housing project is wholly or partly located in such amount, if any, as may be set by mutual agreement between such authority and city or political subdivision of the State; provided, however, that the sum to be paid to the city or political subdivision shall not exceed an amount equal to the regular taxes levied upon similar property.*

In the event that an authority, set up under the provisions of this article either by a city or a county, takes over the federal project in Prince George's County, known as Greenbelt the provision of this article limiting the amounts payable in lieu of taxes shall not apply and such payments shall be subject to agreement between such authority and the public body involved.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That Section 5 of Article 44B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1962 Supplement), title "Housing Cooperation and Aid," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 44B

5. Provisions for payment by authority to State public body.

[Any State public body may (a) fix a sum which is to be paid to it annually by the housing authority in respect to each housing project in lieu of taxes; or (b) agree that the housing authority shall not pay or be liable to pay any sum whatsoever in respect to a housing project or projects for any year or period of years; or (c) agree with a housing authority of the federal government upon the sum to be paid by the housing authority for any year or period of years in respect to a project or projects, or accept or agree to accept a fixed sum or other consideration in lieu of taxes; provided, however, that the sum to be paid to the city or political subdivision shall not exceed an amount equal to the regular taxes levied upon similar property.] *In connection with any housing project of a housing authority located wholly or partly within the area in which any State public body is authorized to act, any State public body may agree with such housing authority for the payment to it by the housing authority of such sums in lieu of taxes, if any, for any year or period of years as may be set by such agreement.*

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1963.

Approved April 30, 1963.

CHAPTER 660

(House Bill 1054)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 452 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition),