

Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Prince George's County," subtitle "County Commissioners," sub-heading "Transfer Tax" be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

18-5. Transfer Tax.

(a) Imposed; rate. The [county commissioners] *county council* of Prince George's County are hereby authorized and empowered to impose a tax, [the proceeds to be used exclusively for school construction,] at [the] a rate [of two-fifths of] *not to exceed* one per centum of the actual consideration paid or to be paid under every instrument of writing conveying title to real property, or any interest therein, in Prince George's County, offered for record and recorded in said county, provided that conveyances to the state or any agency thereof or any political subdivision of the state, shall not be subject to the tax imposed by this section. The term "instrument of writing" shall include deeds, mortgages, deeds of trust, leases, contracts and agreements, but shall not include purchase money mortgages, purchase money deeds of trust, assignments of mortgages or releases, provided, however, upon any refinancing of property, by the original mortgagor or mortgagors the tax shall apply only to the consideration over and above the amount of the original mortgage or deed of trust.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

Approved May 17, 1971.

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CHAPTER 606

(House Bill 1224)

AN ACT to add new Section 9B(c) to Article 25 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Supplement), title "County Commissioners," subtitle "General Provisions," to follow immediately after Section 9B(b) thereof, authorizing the County Commissioners of Calvert County to transfer or lease certain property to the Calvert County Historical Society, Incorporated, without complying with certain provisions of Section 9B.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That new Section 9B(c) be and it is hereby added to Article 25 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Supplement), title "County Commissioners," subtitle "General Provisions," to follow immediately after Section 9B(b) thereof, and to read as follows:

9B.

(c) *The County Commissioners of Calvert County may transfer, convey, or lease to the Calvert County Historical Society, Incorporated, the land and improvement known as Solomons Elementary School property, or any part thereof, for use as a public maritime museum without complying with the requirements of this Section,*