SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1975.

Approved April 22, 1975.

CHAPTER 439

(House Bill 656)

AN ACT concerning

Program Open Space

FOR the purpose of permitting, under certain conditions, the use of certain Program Open Space funds for purposes of recreation and parks master plans.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources Section 5-905(c) Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1974 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 5-905(c) of Article - Natural Resources, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1974 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

5-905.

(c) (1) Except in Baltimore City, at least one half of a local governing body's annual apportionment shall be used for acquisition projects. Local matching funds are not required for acquisition projects. If the local governing body is unable to obtain federal funds pursuant to § 5-906 of this subtitle, for an approved local acquisition project, the total cost of the project shall be defrayed out of the local governing body's annual apportionment of state funds for open space. In Baltimore City any portion of the annual apportionment may be used either for acquisition or development.