executive branch officers and employees in the area of possible conflict between their private interests and official duties or state employment. The rules and regulations, which apply to persons included in the classified service and subject to the provisions of Article 64A, shall not be contrary to the provisions of Article 64A. The rules and regulations shall be filed with the Secretary of State and be open to public inspection.

(B) ANY PERSON MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE STATE BOARD OF ETHICS ALLEGING A CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN VIOLATION OF STATE LAW BY AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT. UPON A FINDING THAT THE ALLEGATION HAS SUBSTANTIAL MERIT, THE BOARD SHALL INVESTIGATE IT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1977.

Approved May 17, 1977.

## CHAPTER 503

(House Bill 991)

AN ACT concerning

Tax Credits - Maryland Ornithological Society, Inc.

FOR the purpose of granting a certain tax credit to the Maryland Ornithological Society, Inc.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 31 - Revenue and Taxes Section 9C(c) Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 keplacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 9C(c) of Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes

9C.

(c) In Anne Arundel County, (1) real and tangible personal property described as Ogle Hall, owned by the