

~~PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX COLLECTED AS A RESULT OF TRANSFERS OF LANDS UNDER AGRICULTURAL USE ASSESSMENT BY THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF STATE PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX COLLECTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR UP TO 12.5 PERCENT OF THE EXCESS AMOUNT MAY BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FUND. THE COMPTROLLER SHALL PAY TO THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FUND AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 12.5 PERCENT OF THE EXCESS AMOUNT; AND~~

~~(2) THE REMAINDER OF THE EXCESS SHALL BE made available for the funding of projects for the acquisition and development of recreation land and open space, as provided under "Program Open Space." THE COMPTROLLER, BY REGULATION, MAY REQUIRE THE COLLECTING AUTHORITIES TO MAINTAIN SUCH RECORDS AS THE COMPTROLLER DEEMS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO DETERMINE THE AMOUNT OF TAX COLLECTED AS A RESULT OF TRANSFERS OF LAND UNDER AGRICULTURAL USE ASSESSMENT.~~

Article -- Natural Resources

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~~(a) [One half of the funds available under this program] FUNDS AVAILABLE TO PROGRAM OPEN SPACE AND NOT APPROPRIATED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (B) [One half] AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 42.86 PERCENT of the funds available under this program shall be used for recreation and open space purposes by the department and the St. Mary's City Commission. Except as provided in subsection (c) (1), any funds the General Assembly appropriates to the State under the program shall be used only for land acquisition projects. A portion of the State's share of funds available under this program shall be utilized to make grants to Baltimore City for projects which meet park purposes. The grants shall be in addition to any funds Baltimore City is eligible to receive under subsection (b), and may be used for acquisition or development. In order for Baltimore City to be eligible for a State grant, the department shall review projects or land to be acquired within Baltimore City and, upon the department's recommendation, the Board of Public Works may approve projects and land including the cost. Title to the land shall be in the name of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City. The State is not responsible for costs involved in the development or maintenance of the land.~~

~~(k) The General Assembly shall appropriate one half of the [funds] TOTAL EXCESS AMOUNT [ONE HALF] 57.14 PERCENT of the funds available under [this program] ARTICLE 81, SECTION 267A(F) to assist local governing bodies in acquisition and development of land for recreation and open space purposes.~~

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