WHEREAS, To date, funds have accumulated from appropriations and the sale of the published Archives of Maryland, and have been maintained by the Maryland Historical Society in a publications fund; and

WHEREAS, On September 22, 1980, the Council of the Maryland Historical Society resolved that the remaining Archives volumes, the publications fund, and the responsibility for future publication of the Archives be transferred to the Hall of Records; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 54 - Hall of Records

3.

- (C) (1) THE HALL OF RECORDS COMMISSION MAY ACCEPT THE TRANSFER OF THE INVENTORY OF THE ARCHIVES OF MARYLAND AND FUNDS RELATING THERETO FROM THE MARYLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY. THE STATE COMPTROLLER SHALL MAINTAIN THE TRANSFERRED FUNDS AS A SPECIAL FUND, DESIGNATED THE ARCHIVES FUND TO BE USED TO:
- (I) PREPARE, EDIT, AND PUBLISH FUTURE VOLUMES OF THE ARCHIVES OF MARYLAND SERIES;
- (II) REPRINT UNAVAILABLE VOLUMES OF THE ARCHIVES OF MARYLAND; AND
- (III) RECEIVE MONEYS DERIVED FROM THE SALE OF OR APPROPRIATED FOR PUBLISHING THE ARCHIVES OF MARYLAND.
- (2) THE HALL OF RECORDS COMMISSION MAY REQUEST THAT THE TREASURER INVEST FUND MONEYS ONLY FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 28, 1981.