

of the aforesaid owners, nor shall it apply to any personal property which is owned by the federal or State governments and which is in the possession of any person, persons or corporation pursuant to a contract with such federal or State governments for (1) the manufacture, construction or assembling of equipment, supplies or component parts thereof, to be used for national defense purposes, or (2) research or development for national defense purposes, nor shall it apply to port facilities owned by the federal or State governments (or any agencies or instrumentality thereof) or by any political subdivision of the State of Maryland. The foregoing shall apply to an international trade center (referred to in § 6-101 (d) (4) of the Transportation Article) owned by the State government (or any agency or instrumentality thereof) unless negotiated payments in lieu of taxes or voluntary contributions are made by the aforesaid owner. Provided further that for the purposes of municipal and county taxation in the counties of Allegany, Anne Arundel, DORCHESTER, FREDERICK, Montgomery, PRINCE GEORGE'S, and Washington, the [county commissioners or] governing body of ANY THE COUNTY OR OF any A municipality may, by adoption of [an appropriate] A resolution or AN ordinance, exempt such property from county or municipal taxation, OR-PROVIDE-FOR-A-PAYMENT-IN-LIEU-OF COUNTY-OR-MUNICIPAL-TAXES but the valuation shall be carried on the assessment books as though it is taxable for the purposes of computing payments to the several political subdivisions which are provided for in the laws of this State and which in any manner are based upon or related to assessments and assessed valuations. PROVIDED FURTHER, THAT IN ANNE ARUNDEL, DORCHESTER, FREDERICK, AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTIES THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY OR OF A MUNICIPALITY MAY PROVIDE FOR A PAYMENT IN LIEU OF COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL TAXES. Provided further, that for purposes of municipal taxation in Baltimore City the Mayor and City Council may by ordinance authorize the exemption from taxation of, and acceptance of a negotiated payment in lieu of taxes on, property owned by the city and leased to a private business conducted for profit if the net income from the property is to be shared with the Mayor and City Council, but the valuation shall be carried on the assessment books as though it is taxable for the purposes of computing payments to the several political subdivisions which are provided for in the laws of this State and which in any manner are based upon or related to assessments and assessed valuations. This authorization of Baltimore City to enter into an agreement for a payment in lieu of taxes expires on July 1, 1980, but the expiry shall not affect such an agreement executed prior to that date. As used herein, the term "port facilities" shall mean and shall include, without intending thereby to limit the generality of such term, any one or more of the following or any combination thereof: lands, piers, docks, wharves, warehouses, sheds, transit sheds, elevators, compressors,