

~~a rural broadband cooperative formed under § 5-6C-01 of the Corporations and Associations Article, as enacted by this Act, to provide broadband telecommunication service of any kind in the State.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, for fiscal years 2008 and 2009, the Governor shall include in the annual budget bill a general fund appropriation to the Rural Broadband Assistance Fund established under Article 83A, § 5-1902 of the Code, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, of at least \$4,000,000 in each fiscal year, of which at least \$2,000,000 in each fiscal year shall be from the Maryland Economic Development Assistance Authority and Fund.

(b) If the Rural Broadband Assistance Fund receives more than \$2,000,000 from the Maryland Economic Development Assistance Authority and Fund in fiscal year 2007, then, for fiscal year 2009 only, the funding specified in subsection (a) of this section may be reduced by the amount by which the 2007 fiscal year funding from the Maryland Economic Development Assistance Authority and Fund exceeds \$2,000,000.

SECTION 4. ~~2.~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2006. It shall remain effective for a period of 14 years and, at the end of June 30, 2020, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

May 26, 2006

The Honorable Michael E. Busch
Speaker of the House
State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed House Bill 1158 – *Property Tax Credit – Nonprofit Swim Clubs*.

This bill authorizes the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or of a municipal corporation to grant, by law, a tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on swim club property used exclusively for providing a recreational outlet for the community.

Senate Bill 982, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 1158.

Very truly yours,
Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor