CHAPTER 705

(House Bill 1194)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority Equity Participation Investment Program

FOR the purpose of redefining those moneys which may comprise the Equity Participation Investment Program Fund; authorizing the Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority to use the Fund for certain administrative, legal, and actuarial services; removing altering the dollar limitation on withdrawals from the Small Business Development Guaranty Fund; making certain technical changes; and generally relating to the Equity Participation Investment Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Financial Institutions Section 13-235(b), 13-240(b)(5), 13-241(b), (d), and (e) Annotated Code of Maryland (1980 Volume and 1986 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Financial Institutions

13-235.

(b) "Enterprise" means a business entity, including a sole proprietorship, a partnership, a limited partnership, a corporation, or a joint venture <code>CARRYING-ON-OR</code> proposing to carry on a business within the State and [meets] MEETING the requirements of § 13-231 of this subtitle.

13-240.

- (b) Under the Program, any equity participation financing shall satisfy the following requirements:
- (5) The Authority's recovery shall be the greater of the current value of the percentage of the equity investment in the [business entity] ENTERPRISE or the amount of the initial investment in the [business entity] ENTERPRISE.

13-241.

(b) The Fund consists of [money drawn from the Small Business Development Guaranty Fund, money appropriated by the