CHAPTER 62

(House Bill 378)

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County - Open Meetings Law

FOR the purpose of authorizing a public agency in St. Mary's County to meet in executive session to carry out preliminary discussions concerning the disposition of real property; requiring any decision on the disposition of real property to be made in public session; and generally relating to meetings held by public agencies or their staff in St. Mary's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 24 - Political Subdivisions - Miscellaneous Provisions Section 4-210 Annotated Code of Maryland (1987 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)

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

Article 24 - Political Subdivisions - Miscellaneous Provisions 4-210.

- (a) Meetings of public agencies and meetings of the staff of public agencies may be conducted in executive session in the following situations only:
- (1) When a public agency or members of the staff consider or discuss the assignment, promotion, resignation, salary, demotion, dismissal, reprimand, or appointment of a member of a public agency or employee, the session may be closed, unless the person requests in writing for an open session. The request is a matter of public record;
- (2) When a school board or its staff considers the disciplining of individual students and the parent, guardian or student requests an executive session;
- (3) When a school board or its staff discusses individual special education students and the parent or guardian of the student or the student requests an executive session;