

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1993.

Approved May 27, 1993.

CHAPTER 566

(House Bill 905)

AN ACT concerning

Code Counties – Development Excise Tax – Agricultural Land Preservation

FOR the purpose of authorizing the county commissioners of a code home rule county to impose a development excise tax to finance the costs of purchasing development rights on agricultural land; limiting the amount of the tax; requiring that the tax be deposited in a certain account that may only be used for certain purposes; specifying certain procedural requirements; and generally relating to authorization for and imposition of a development excise tax by a code home rule county.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 25B – Home Rule for Code Counties

Section 1(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 25B – Home Rule for Code Counties

Section 13E

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)

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

Article 25B – Home Rule for Code Counties

1.

(a) “Code county” (as defined in Article XI-F of the Constitution, § 1) means a county which is not a charter county under Article XI-A of the Constitution and which has adopted the optional powers of home rule provided in Article XI-F of the Constitution and this article.