SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three—fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved April 11, 1995.

CHAPTER 109

(House Bill 1372)

AN ACT concerning

Wicomico County - Hotel Rental Tax - Rate and Distribution

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum rate of the hotel rental tax that may be set by Wicomico County; providing for the distribution of the additional revenue if the interest rate is increased; and generally relating to the hotel rental tax imposed in Wicomico County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 24 - Political Subdivisions - Miscellaneous Provisions

Section 9-304 and 9-318

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume)

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

9-304.

- (a) Subject to the limitations in subsections (b) and (c) of this section, the hotel rental tax rate is the rate that the authorized county sets by resolution.
 - (b) An authorized county may not set a hotel rental tax rate that exceeds:
 - (1) 3% in a code county;
 - (2) 5% in Calvert County;
 - (3) 3% in Cecil County;
 - (4) 5% in Charles County;
 - (5) 4% in Dorchester County;
 - (6) 5% in Garrett County;
 - (7) 5% in St. Mary's County;