

and which a purchaser, willing but not obligated to buy, would pay for a farm unit with land comparable in quality and composition to the property being appraised, but located in the nearest location where profitable farming is feasible.

(III) 1. IN THE CASE OF THE TERMINATION OF AN EASEMENT THAT WAS ORIGINALLY PURCHASED UNDER A MATCHING ALLOTTED PURCHASE, THE FOUNDATION SHALL DISTRIBUTE TO THE CONTRIBUTING COUNTY A PORTION OF THE REPURCHASE PAYMENT RECEIVED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS PARAGRAPH THAT IS EQUAL TO THE PERCENTAGE OF THE ORIGINAL EASEMENT PURCHASE PRICE CONTRIBUTED BY THE COUNTY.

2. A. FROM THE FUNDS DISTRIBUTED TO A COUNTY UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, THE COUNTY SHALL DEPOSIT IN THE COUNTY'S SPECIAL ACCOUNT FOR ITS AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM AN AMOUNT THAT IS AT LEAST EQUAL TO THE PERCENTAGE OF THE ORIGINAL EASEMENT PURCHASE PRICE THAT WAS PAID OUT OF THE SPECIAL ACCOUNT.

B. IF ANY OF THE FUNDS DEPOSITED IN THE COUNTY'S SPECIAL ACCOUNT HAVE NOT BEEN EXPENDED OR COMMITTED WITHIN 3 YEARS FROM THE DATE OF DEPOSIT INTO THE SPECIAL ACCOUNT, THE COUNTY COLLECTOR SHALL REMIT THOSE FUNDS TO THE COMPTROLLER FOR DEPOSIT IN THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FUND AS PROVIDED IN § 13-306(C) OF THE TAX - PROPERTY ARTICLE.

3. THE COUNTY SHALL DEPOSIT THE BALANCE OF THE FUNDS DISTRIBUTED TO IT UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH IN THE COUNTY'S GENERAL FUND.

(g) If the request for termination is denied, or if the landowner fails to repurchase the easement within 180 days of the appraisal, the landowner may not again request termination of the easement until five years after his last [such] request FOR TERMINATION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997.

Approved May 22, 1997.

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**CHAPTER 658**

**(House Bill 290)**

AN ACT concerning

**Hunting Wild Waterfowl - Blind Site Licenses - Fees and Conditions**

FOR the purpose of limiting the number of certain blind site licenses that may be purchased at certain times; and increasing the fee for certain blind site licenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,