(4) property that is owned by the Tuckahoe Steam and Gas Association, Incorporated; AND

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- (b) The governing body of Talbot County or of a municipal corporation in Talbot County may grant, by law, a property tax credit under this section against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on [property that]:
- (1) PROPERTY THAT is owned by the Chesapeake Audubon Society, Inc. [1] and

## [(2)] is used solely for:

- (i) the environmental education of the public; and
- (ii) the maintenance of:
  - I. a natural area for public use; or
  - 2. a sanctuary for wildlife[.]; AND
- (C) THE COVERNING BODY OF TALBOT COUNTY OR OF A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN TALBOT COUNTY MAY CRANT, BY LAW, A PROPERTY TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION AGAINST THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION PROPERTY TAX IMPOSED ON
  - (2) PERSONAL PROPERTY THAT IS:
- (I) (I) (I) OWNED BY CHESAPEAKE WILDLIFE HERITAGE, INCORPORATED;
- $\frac{(H)}{(2)}$   $\frac{(2)}{(II)}$  USED PRIMARILY FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ORGANIZATION; AND
- $\frac{(III)}{(2)}$   $\frac{(III)}{(2)}$  NOT USED PRIMARILY FOR REVENUE OR INCOME-PRODUCING PURPOSES.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act may not be construed as a finding or conclusion of the General Assembly regarding the merit of a claim for exemption from property tax under § 7-202 of the Tax Property Article.

SECTION  $\stackrel{2}{2}$  AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.

Approved April 27, 1999.