- (iii) an indication that, before the budget is enacted, appropriate officials or representatives of the municipal corporation are entitled to appear before the county governing body to discuss or contest the level of the proposed tax setoff.
- (i) Representatives of each municipal corporation in the county requesting a tax setoff shall be afforded an opportunity to testify before the county governing body during normally scheduled hearings on the county's proposed budget.
- (j) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (d), (f), and (g) of this section:
- (1) a county and one or more municipal corporations may enter into an agreement setting different terms or timing for negotiations, calculations, or approval of a tax setoff; and
- (2) a county may grant a tax setoff to a municipal corporation that does not make a request in the fashion described in this section.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

Approved May 13, 1999.

CHAPTER 505

(House Bill 1215)

AN ACT concerning

Property Tax - Exemption Queen Anne's County - Property Tax Credit - Wildfowl Trust of North America, Inc.

FOR the purpose of providing for an exemption from a property tax credit in Queen Anne's County for certain property owned by the Wildfowl Trust of North America, Inc.; and providing for the application of this Act.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

BY adding to

Article - Tax - Property

Section 7-217 9-319(c)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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