

Article - EnvironmentSection 2-901 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 9. Tax Credits for Employer-Provided Commuter Benefits"Annotated Code of Maryland(1996 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Tax - General

Section 8-220 and 10-712

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

BY adding toArticle - InsuranceSection 6-119Annotated Code of Maryland(1997 Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

~~Article - Tax - General~~Article - EnvironmentSUBTITLE 9. TAX CREDITS FOR EMPLOYER-PROVIDED COMMUTER BENEFITS.~~10-712. 2-901.~~

(A) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(1) "BUSINESS ENTITY" MEANS:

(I) A PERSON CONDUCTING OR OPERATING A TRADE OR BUSINESS IN MARYLAND; OR

(II) AN ORGANIZATION OPERATING IN MARYLAND THAT IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER § 501(C)(3) OR (4) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

(2) "INSTRUMENT" MEANS A PASS, TOKEN, FARE CARD, VOUCHER, OR SIMILAR ITEM.

(B) A BUSINESS ENTITY MAY CLAIM A TAX CREDIT ~~AGAINST THE STATE INCOME TAX~~ IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 50% OF THE COST OF PROVIDING THE FOLLOWING COMMUTER BENEFITS TO THE BUSINESS ENTITY'S EMPLOYEES:

(1) IF PROVIDED FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRAVEL BETWEEN THE EMPLOYEE'S RESIDENCE AND PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT, ANY PORTION OF THE COST