(2)   THAT WAS OR IS PURCHASED TO COMPLY WITH OR TO FACILITATE COMPLIANCE WITH THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996, PUB. L. 104–104, 110 STAT. 56.

~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Comptroller shall refund, upon application by the taxpayer, any sales and use tax, penalty, or interest paid on the sale, on or after January 1, 1999 but before July 1, 1999, of equipment exempted from the sales and use tax under Section 1 of this Act, whether or not the payment was the result of a final assessment.~~

SECTION ~~3.~~ 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

Approved April 25, 2000.

CHAPTER 13

(House Bill 1209)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Science, Engineering, and Technology Development Corporation

FOR the purpose of altering the name of the Maryland Science, Engineering, and Technology Development Corporation to the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; altering the number of members and composition of the Corporation's Board of Directors; *altering the factors that the Governor must consider in appointing Board members;* providing the Corporation with the express authority to fix, revise, and collect royalties ~~and~~, make grants and investments, and engage certain persons; establishing the circumstances under which the Corporation may deny inspection of certain records in order to allow the Corporation to protect its trade secrets, confidential commercial information, and confidential financial information; designating the Corporation's employees and officials as State personnel for the purposes of the Maryland Tort Claims Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Science, Engineering, and Technology Development Corporation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
    Article 83A – Department of Business and Economic Development
    Section 5–2A–01 through 5–2A–04
    Annotated Code of Maryland
    (1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
    Article – State Government
    Section 10–618(a)
    Annotated Code of Maryland
    (1999 Replacement Volume)