

their designees for the development of "community legacy plans" or "community legacy projects." The bill also establishes a five-member Community Legacy Board to administer the program and an 11-member advisory committee to the board to make recommendations concerning community legacy areas, plans and projects. In addition, the bill establishes a Community Legacy Financial Assistance Fund as a continuing, nonlapsing fund to provide financial assistance for the program.

House Bill 301, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 202.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 202

AN ACT concerning

"Smart Growth" and Neighborhood Conservation - Community Legacy Program

FOR the purpose of establishing a Community Legacy Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development; ~~declaring the findings of the General Assembly;~~ specifying the purposes of the Program; establishing a Community Legacy Board in the Department; providing for the membership of the Board; specifying the chairperson of the Board; providing for the formation of the Board; requiring a certain sponsor to file a certain application; specifying the contents of a certain application; requiring a certain sponsor to demonstrate that a certain area meets certain requirements; specifying criteria that the Board is to apply in approving an application and in referring an award of certain financial assistance to the Secretary; requiring the Department and a sponsor to execute a certain agreement; authorizing the Department to exercise certain powers and duties; requiring certain reports be filed by certain dates; establishing an Advisory Committee to the Board; specifying the purpose of the Advisory Committee; specifying the membership and terms of the Advisory Committee; creating a Community Legacy Financial Assistance Fund as a continuing, nonlapsing fund; ~~requiring the Governor to include certain appropriations to the Fund in the budget bill for certain fiscal years;~~ defining certain terms; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Advisory Board; providing for the construction of this Act; and generally relating to the establishment of the Community Legacy Program.

BY adding to

Article 83B - Department of Housing and Community Development
Section 4-801 through ~~4-812~~ 4-811, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle
"Subtitle 8. Community Legacy Program"

Annotated Code of Maryland
(1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)