H.B. 633

VETOES

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. Governor

### House Bill No. 633

AN ACT concerning

# Frederick County Commissioners - Zoning and Planning - Public Ethics

FOR the purpose of establishing certain ethics requirements that relate to planning and zoning proceedings and apply to members of the Frederick County Board of County Commissioners and certain other persons; prohibiting certain campaign contributions by certain persons under certain circumstances; prohibiting a Board member from participating in certain planning and zoning proceedings; requiring the disclosure of certain ex parte communications made by certain persons; allowing a party of record in certain planning and zoning proceedings to submit certain affidavits; requiring the State Ethics Commission to direct and control the enforcement of this Act; requiring the County Manager to perform certain administrative functions and prepare certain reports; establishing certain requirements and procedures for judicial review of certain planning and zoning proceedings; establishing certain penalties for a violation of this Act; requiring certain persons to retain and make available certain documents for inspection; defining certain terms; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to public ethics requirements in planning and zoning proceedings in Frederick County.

## BY adding to

Article - Election Law

Section 13-504

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2003 Volume)

## BY adding to

Article - State Government

Section 15-860 through 15-865, inclusive, to be under the new part "Part VIII. Frederick County - Special Provisions"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

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

### **Article - Election Law**

13-504.

AS TO CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FREDERICK COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OR A CANDIDATE FOR THAT OFFICE, TITLE 15, SUBTITLE 8, PART VIII OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE MAY APPLY.