performance under the contract, the [question or] questions involved in the dispute shall be subject to a determination [which] THAT is final and conclusive on all parties, made either by:

- (1) a neutral person or entity selected by or in accordance with a procedure established by the [highest executive authority] MAYOR of Baltimore City; or
- (2) [in the event that] IF the other party does not accept as neutral a person or entity selected under paragraph (1) of this subsection, by an arbitration panel composed of the following:
- (i) one member designated by the [highest executive authority] MAYOR of Baltimore City;
 - (ii) one member designated by the other party to the dispute; and
- (iii) one member [to be] selected by mutual agreement of the 2 designated members from lists to be submitted by the parties to the dispute.
- [(c)] (G) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections [(a) and (b)] (E) AND (F) of this section, [Baltimore City may provide or require,] with regard to a construction contract to which it is a party, BALTIMORE CITY MAY PROVIDE OR REQUIRE that IF THERE IS a dispute between the parties involving \$10,000 or more [regarding] OVER the terms of the contract or performance under the contract, [be subject] THE DISPUTE IS SUBJECT to a determination of questions of fact by an officer or official body of Baltimore City, [provided that the decision of the officer or official body of Baltimore City is] subject to review on the record by a court of competent jurisdiction.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

Approved May 16, 2002.

CHAPTER 522

(House Bill 468)

AN ACT concerning

Agriculture – Manure Transportation Pilot Project – Repeal of Termination Date

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain termination date for the Manure Transportation Pilot Project; making certain changes to reflect that the project is no longer a pilot project; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to the Manure Transportation Project.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

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