EFFORTS, AND THE BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES SET FORTH FOR IMPLEMENTATION WITHIN A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION.

- (C) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2003, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE GUIDELINES TO PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS AND SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANTS ON BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR IMPROVING WATER CONSERVATION AND EFFICIENCY IN WATER AND WASTEWATER USE, TREATMENT, STORAGE, AND TRANSMISSION, INCLUDING:
- (1) COSTS AND COST-SAVINGS ASSOCIATED WITH IMPLEMENTING EXAMPLES OF SPECIFIC BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES;
- (2) WATER CONSERVATION ASSOCIATED WITH IMPLEMENTING SPECIFIC BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES; AND
- (3) PRIORITY ELIGIBILITY FOR FUNDING THROUGH STATE FINANCIAL RESOURCES FOR DRINKING WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING THE MARYLAND WATER QUALITY REVOLVING LOAN FUND UNDER § 9–1605 OF THIS ARTICLE AND OTHER STATE OR FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WHEN BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES ARE IMPLEMENTED.
- (D) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO ESTABLISH THE MINIMUM INCREASE IN THE AMOUNT OF WATER TO BE WITHDRAWN UNDER AN EXPANDED WATER APPROPRIATION PERMIT THAT REQUIRES COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE.

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

Approved May 16, 2002.

## **CHAPTER 538**

(House Bill 707)

AN ACT concerning

Montgomery County - Tax Credit for Businesses That Create New Jobs - Qualifications

## MC 212-02

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of "new permanent full time position" for purposes certain definitions for purposes of certain property tax and State tax credits granted to certain business entities that construct or expand certain new or expanded business premises under certain circumstances; altering certain requirements for a business entity in Montgomery County to qualify for certain property tax and State tax credits; providing that a certain written notification provided by a business entity and accepted as valid by a county or municipal corporation before the effective date of this Act remains in full force and effect;