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Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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Chapter 474 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003

Section 2

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

## **Article 25B - Home Rule for Code Counties**

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- (a) (1) The county commissioners of a code county, by public local law, may impose a development excise tax when a subdivision lot is initially sold or transferred, for financing, in whole or in part, the capital costs of additional or expanded public school facilities or improvements.
- (2) (i) Before passing a public local law imposing a development excise tax or altering the amount of the tax, the county commissioners shall hold a public hearing.
- (ii) Notice of the hearing shall be published in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the county not less than 3 or more than 14 days before the hearing.
- (iii) The notice shall state the subject of the hearing and the time and place that the hearing will occur.
- (3) The county commissioners shall specify and the notice shall state the amount of the tax and the time during the subdivision process that the tax shall be paid.
- (4) A EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (6) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A development excise tax imposed under this section may not exceed {\$2,000} \$5,000 per lot.
- (5) A development excise tax may not be imposed under this section, in a county that imposes a development impact fee.
- (6) A DEVELOPMENT EXCISE TAX IMPOSED UNDER THIS SECTION BY A CODE COUNTY IN THE EASTERN SHORE CLASS MAY NOT EXCEED \$5,000 PER LOT.
- (b) (1) The county commissioners shall deposit development excise taxes in an account known as the "educational facilities improvement fund".