- (2) NEITHER THE CALCULATION OF THE ABATEMENT NOR THE ASSESSMENT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL INCLUDE AN ASSESSMENT LESS THAN ZERO.
- [(i)] (J) The Department shall adopt rules and regulations to implement this section.
- [(j)] (K) The tax credit under this section shall be known as the homestead property tax credit.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2003.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved April 13, 2004.

## **CHAPTER 44**

(House Bill 223)

AN ACT concerning

## Howard County - Board of Education - Meetings

## Ho. Co. 5-04

FOR the purpose of altering the number of times the Howard County Board of Education is required to meet each month; requiring the Howard County Board of Education to meet a certain number of times each year; and generally relating to meetings of the Howard County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education

Section 3-704(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

## **Article - Education**

3 - 704.

(a) (1) [The] SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE County Board shall meet [at]: