- (3) The father of the individual acknowledged himself by affidavit to be the father and the mother of the individual has consented by affidavit to the acknowledgment.
- (i) (1) The Secretary shall, upon request, prepare and register a certificate in this State for a person born in a foreign country [who is not a citizen of the United States] and who was adopted:
 - (i) Through a court of competent jurisdiction in this State; or
- (ii) 1. Under the laws of a jurisdiction or country other than the United States and has been granted an IR-3 visa by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service under the Immigration and Nationality Act; and
 - 2. By an adopting parent who is a resident of this State.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2004.

Approved April 27, 2004.

CHAPTER 159

(House Bill 219)

AN ACT concerning

Job Creation Tax Credit - Extension

FOR the purpose of extending the time period during which the job creation tax credit may be taken by qualified business entities; and generally relating to the job creation tax credit program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development

Section 5-1103

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2003 Replacement Volume)

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

Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development 5–1103.

- (a) Subject to the provisions of this section, the provisions of this subtitle and the tax credit authorized under this subtitle shall terminate as of January 1, [2007] 2010.
 - (b) (1) The tax credits authorized under this subtitle: