## CHAPTER 267

(House Bill 1175)

AN ACT concerning

## Charter Counties - Express Powers - Agreements to Purchase Easements to Restrict of Development Rights

FOR the purpose of authorizing a charter county to enter into a certain an agreement to purchase an easement to restrict development rights under certain circumstances; authorizing the county council of a charter a county to determine, by resolution, certain provisions, terms, conditions, and the duration of a certain agreement; providing that a certain payment obligation in a certain agreement shall be a general obligation of the county and may not be subject to a certain annual appropriation; authorizing a certain county to undertake a certain payment obligation without regard to certain limitations and without complying with certain procedures; providing that the exercise of certain authority constitutes the exercise of certain borrowing authority; providing that a certain agreement, the transfer or assignment of a certain agreement, and the payment required by a certain agreement is exempt from certain taxes; providing that a certain provision of law does not apply to a county that adopte code-home-rule for the application of this Act; and generally relating to agreements to the purchase easements to restrict of development entered into by charter rights by counties.

BY adding to

Article 25A - Chartered Counties of Maryland 24 - Political Subdivisions - Miscellaneous Provisions

Section 5(GG) 20–101 and 20–102 to be under the new title "Title 20. Purchase of Development Rights"

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BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 25B Home Rule for Gode Counties

Section 13

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