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CHAPTER 180

(House Bill 359)

AN ACT concerning

Voting Trusts – Extension of Duration

FOR the purpose of permitting a voting trust of stock to be extended for a certain period of time under certain circumstances; requiring stock in a voting trust under this Act to be stock in a single corporation and to represent a certain interest in that corporation; requiring stock in a voting trust under this Act to be held by a testamentary or inter vivos trust that meets certain criteria; requiring the recipients of a certain percentage of the income and principal of a testamentary or inter vivos trust under this Act to be certain charitable or educational institutions; and generally relating to the extension of certain voting trust agreements.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Corporations and Associations

Section 2-510

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1985 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

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

Article – Corporations and Associations

2-510.

(A) One or more stockholders of a corporation may confer the right to vote or otherwise represent their stock to a trustee for a period not exceeding ten years by:

(1) Entering into a written voting trust agreement which specifies the terms and conditions of the voting trust;

(2) Depositing an executed copy of the agreement with the corporation at its principal office; and

(3) Transferring their stock for purposes of the agreement to a trustee.

(B) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, A VOTING TRUST MAY BE EXTENDED FOR ONE ADDITIONAL PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED 10 YEARS IF:

(1) (I) ALL STOCK IN THE VOTING TRUST IS STOCK IN A SINGLE CORPORATION; AND