

to the definition of local government under the Local Government Tort Claims Act, and will support that legislation next year. However, although I am deeply concerned about liability issues and the staff of the Authority, for the reasons stated above, I have decided reluctantly to veto House Bill 283.

Sincerely,  
William Donald Schaefer  
Governor

### House Bill No. 283

AN ACT concerning

**Local Government Tort Claims Act – ~~Inclusion of Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority~~ Maryland Tort Claims Act – Inclusion of Certain Entities and Employees**

FOR the purpose of adding the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority to the definition of local governments in the Local Government Tort Claims Act; altering the definition of "State personnel" under the Maryland Tort Claims Act to include certain county employees assigned to local departments of social services; and generally relating to immunity from liability for certain government employees.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 5-401(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1989 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 12-101

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1984 Volume and 1990 Supplement)

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

#### Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

5-401.

(d) "Local government" means:

- (1) A chartered county established under Article 25A of the Code;
- (2) A code county established under Article 25B of the Code;
- (3) A board of county commissioners established or operating under Article 25 of the Code;