SECTION 2-4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the provisions of Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 2008.

Approved by the Governor, May 13, 2008.

## **CHAPTER 518**

(House Bill 723)

AN ACT concerning

Business and Economic Development - Biotechnology Investment Incentive
Act

FOR the purpose of altering certain eligibility criteria and requirements for claiming a certain State income tax credit for certain investments in certain technology businesses; limiting the aggregate credits that may be certified for investments in a single company for any fiscal year to a certain percentage of the total appropriations to a certain reserve fund for that fiscal year; altering the method of claiming the credit; providing for recapture of the credit under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; authorizing certain regulations; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to certain tax credits for investments in certain technology businesses in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General Section 10–725 Annotated Code of Maryland (2004 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

## Article - Tax - General

10-725.

- (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (2) "Biotechnology company" means a company organized for profit that is primarily engaged in the research, development, or commercialization of innovative and proprietary technology that comprises, interacts with, or analyzes