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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Howard County – Use of Transfer Tax Revenue – Stormwater and Flood Control**
3 **Projects**

4 **Ho. Co. 8–17**

5 FOR the purpose of altering the distribution in Howard County of revenue from a certain
6 local transfer tax to provide funding for certain stormwater and flood control
7 projects; and generally providing for the distribution of certain tax revenue in
8 Howard County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 The Public Local Laws of Howard County
11 Section 20.304
12 Article 14 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
13 (1977 Edition and August 2008 Supplement, as amended)

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

16 **Article 14 – Howard County**

17 20.304.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 The Clerk of the Circuit Court shall pay over to the Director of Finance from time to
2 time, under such procedures as the Director of Finance may specify, the proceeds of this
3 tax. The Director of Finance shall hold such proceeds in the following manner: 25% in a
4 special fund known as “The School Site Acquisition and Construction Fund,” and
5 disbursements from this fund shall be made only for the purposes set forth in section 9.102
6 of the Howard County Code; 25% in a special fund known as “The Park Land Watershed
7 Facilities Fund,” and disbursements from this fund shall be made only for the purposes set
8 forth in section 19.100 of the Howard County Code; and the remainder in the general fund
9 of the county, with the stipulation that the County Council shall budget this remainder as
10 follows: ~~[50%]~~ **40%** plus the interest thereon for the Howard County Agricultural Land
11 Preservation Fund; 25% for community improvement and housing programs primarily
12 serving low income individuals and families and the homeless and for urban renewal; ~~[and]~~
13 **25%** for the acquisition or leasing of land for new fire house sites and training facilities and
14 the construction and maintenance of fire house and training facilities, the acquisition and
15 maintenance of fire equipment, and supplementation of financial needs of fire companies;
16 **AND 10% FOR STORMWATER AND FLOOD CONTROL PROJECTS.**

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
18 1, 2017.