

SENATE BILL 909

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EMERGENCY BILL

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By: **Senator Middleton**

Introduced and read first time: March 6, 2015

Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland – Powers – Property Interests**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland to acquire,
4 hold, lease, use, encumber, transfer, or dispose of property or any interest in
5 property; authorizing the Council to use certain money to finance the purchase of
6 property by the Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission or the
7 Maryland Food Center Authority to accomplish certain purposes; making this Act an
8 emergency measure; and generally relating to the powers of the Tri-County Council
9 for Southern Maryland.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
11 Article – Economic Development
12 Section 13-601(a) and (c)
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
16 Article – Economic Development
17 Section 13-612(b)
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

20 BY adding to
21 Article – Economic Development
22 Section 13-612.1
23 Annotated Code of Maryland
24 (2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



Article – Economic Development

13–601.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(c) “Council” means the Tri–County Council for Southern Maryland.

13–612.

(b) The Council may:

(1) adopt a seal;

(2) sue;

(3) adopt bylaws and rules for the conduct of its business;

(4) enter into contracts and agreements;

(5) borrow money and accept advances, loans, grants, contributions, and any other form of assistance from the federal government, the State, or other public or private source;

(6) give any required security;

(7) ACQUIRE, HOLD, LEASE, USE, ENCUMBER, TRANSFER, OR DISPOSE OF PROPERTY OR ANY INTEREST IN PROPERTY;

[(7)] (8) include in any contract for financial assistance with the federal government any reasonable and appropriate condition imposed under federal law that is not inconsistent with the purposes of this subtitle; and

[(8)] (9) execute any instrument and act as necessary, convenient, or desirable to carry out its powers and the purposes of this subtitle.

13–612.1.

TO ACCOMPLISH THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE COUNCIL MAY USE MONEY AVAILABLE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY BY:

(1) THE SOUTHERN MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION; OR

(2) THE MARYLAND FOOD CENTER AUTHORITY.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency
2 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has
3 been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to
4 each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is
5 enacted.