

SENATE BILL 909

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EMERGENCY BILL

5lr3035

By: **Senator Middleton**

Introduced and read first time: March 6, 2015

Assigned to: Rules

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Senate action: Adopted

Read second time: March 20, 2015

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

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

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

12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
13 Article – Economic Development
14 Section 13-601(a) and (c) and 13-612(b)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

17 ~~BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,~~
18 ~~Article – Economic Development~~
19 ~~Section 13-612(b)~~
20 ~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~
21 ~~(2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)~~

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 BY adding to
 2 Article – Economic Development
 3 Section 13–612.1
 4 Annotated Code of Maryland
 5 (2008 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

8 **Article – Economic Development**

9 13–601.

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

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

12 13–612.

13 (b) The Council may:

14 (1) adopt a seal;

15 (2) sue;

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

17 (4) enter into contracts and agreements;

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

21 (6) give any required security;

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

24 ~~(7)~~ ~~(8)~~ include in any contract for financial assistance with the federal
 25 government any reasonable and appropriate condition imposed under federal law that is
 26 not inconsistent with the purposes of this subtitle; and

27 ~~(8)~~ ~~(9)~~ execute any instrument and act as necessary, convenient, or
 28 desirable to carry out its powers and the purposes of this subtitle.

29 **13–612.1.**

1 TO ACCOMPLISH THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE COUNCIL MAY USE
2 ANY MONEY AVAILABLE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE TO IT TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE
3 OF PROPERTY BY:

4 (1) ~~THE SOUTHERN MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT~~
5 ~~COMMISSION~~ ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING SOUTHERN MARYLAND COUNTIES:

6 (I) ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY;

7 (II) CALVERT COUNTY;

8 (III) CHARLES COUNTY;

9 (IV) PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY; AND

10 (V) ST. MARY’S COUNTY; OR

11 (2) THE MARYLAND FOOD CENTER AUTHORITY.

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

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.