

(2) If wages of an employee are recovered under this section, they shall be paid to the employee without cost to the employee.

3-507.1.

(A) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REMEDY AVAILABLE UNDER § 3-507 OF THIS SUBTITLE, IF AN EMPLOYER FAILS TO PAY AN EMPLOYEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 3-502 OR § 3-505 OF THIS SUBTITLE, AFTER 2 WEEKS HAVE ELAPSED FROM THE DATE ON WHICH THE EMPLOYER IS REQUIRED TO HAVE PAID THE WAGES, THE EMPLOYEE MAY BRING AN ACTION AGAINST THE EMPLOYER TO RECOVER THE UNPAID WAGES.

~~(B) IF A COURT DETERMINES THAT AN EMPLOYEE IS ENTITLED TO RECOVERY IN AN ACTION UNDER THIS SECTION, THE COURT SHALL MAY ALLOW AGAINST THE EMPLOYER TREBLE DAMAGES WAGES AND REASONABLE COUNSEL FEES AND OTHER COSTS.~~

(B) IF, IN AN ACTION UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, A COURT FINDS THAT AN EMPLOYER WITHHELD THE WAGE OF AN EMPLOYEE IN VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE AND NOT AS A RESULT OF A BONA FIDE DISPUTE, THE COURT MAY AWARD THE EMPLOYEE AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING 3 TIMES THE WAGE, AND REASONABLE COUNSEL FEES AND OTHER COSTS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1993.

Approved May 27, 1993.

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**CHAPTER 579**

**(House Bill 1011)**

AN ACT concerning

**Creation of a State Debt – Rockville Town Center**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt ~~in the amount of \$6,000,000 not to exceed in the amount of \$2,000,000~~, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Mayor and City Council of Rockville to assist in the redevelopment of the Rockville Town Center, subject to the requirement that the Mayor and City Council of Rockville provide and expend a matching fund and present by a certain date evidence that a matching fund will be provided, and that the County Executive and County Council of Montgomery County present by a certain date evidence that a matching fund will be provided; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That: