

HOUSE BILL 1017

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By: **Frederick County Delegation**

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Boundary of the Frederick County Soil Conservation District – Alteration**

3 FOR the purpose of ~~altering the boundary of~~ establishing the Frederick County Soil
4 Conservation District to include the Catoctin Soil Conservation District and the
5 Frederick Soil Conservation District; and generally relating to the Frederick County
6 Soil Conservation District.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article – Agriculture
9 Section 8–301 and 8–405(c)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2016 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Agriculture**

15 8–301.

16 (a) The [24] **23** soil conservation districts are established and continued with
17 boundaries corresponding to county boundaries[, except for Frederick County,] and include
18 all land and water and incorporated areas, as follows:

19 (1) Allegany Soil Conservation District;

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.



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- 1 (2) Anne Arundel Soil Conservation District;
- 2 (3) Baltimore County Soil Conservation District;
- 3 (4) Calvert Soil Conservation District;
- 4 (5) Caroline Soil Conservation District;
- 5 (6) Carroll Soil Conservation District;
- 6 (7) Cecil Soil Conservation District;
- 7 (8) Charles Soil Conservation District;
- 8 (9) Dorchester Soil Conservation District;
- 9 (10) **FREDERICK COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT;**
- 10 **(11)** Garrett Soil Conservation District;
- 11 **[(11)] (12)** Harford Soil Conservation District;
- 12 **[(12)] (13)** Howard Soil Conservation District;
- 13 **[(13)] (14)** Kent Soil Conservation District;
- 14 **[(14)] (15)** Montgomery Soil Conservation District;
- 15 **[(15)] (16)** Prince George's Soil Conservation District;
- 16 **[(16)] (17)** Queen Anne's Soil Conservation District;
- 17 **[(17)] (18)** St. Mary's Soil Conservation District;
- 18 **[(18)] (19)** Somerset Soil Conservation District;
- 19 **[(19)] (20)** Talbot Soil Conservation District;
- 20 **[(20)] (21)** Washington County Soil Conservation District;
- 21 **[(21)] (22)** Wicomico Soil Conservation District; **AND**
- 22 **[(22)] (23)** Worcester Soil Conservation District[;

1 (23) Catoctin Soil Conservation District within the area of Frederick County
2 bounded by the Washington–Frederick County line, the Potomac River, and the eastern
3 and northern boundaries of the Catoctin Creek watershed; and

4 (24) The Frederick Soil Conservation District comprising the balance of
5 Frederick County land and water area].

6 (b) A Baltimore City Soil Conservation District may be established and continued
7 with boundaries corresponding to the boundaries of Baltimore City.

8 8–405.

9 (c) (1) The Governor shall include in the annual budget bill an amount
10 sufficient to employ not less than 110 field personnel in the soil conservation districts under
11 this title.

12 (2) The appropriation for the [24] **23** soil conservation districts shall be as
13 follows:

- 14 (i) For fiscal year 2008, \$8,800,000;
- 15 (ii) For fiscal year 2009, \$9,200,000;
- 16 (iii) For fiscal year 2010, \$9,600,000; and
- 17 (iv) For fiscal year 2011 and each fiscal year thereafter, \$10,000,000.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
19 October 1, 2024.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.