

HOUSE BILL 1076

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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Counties and Municipalities – Required Legislation or Regulations –**
3 **Adoption by Reference**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing a county or municipality to adopt certain State laws or
5 regulations by reference under certain circumstances; requiring certain counties
6 or municipalities to specify certain matters under certain circumstances; and
7 generally relating to the adoption by reference of certain State laws or
8 regulations by counties and municipalities.

9 BY adding to
10 Article 24 – Political Subdivisions – Miscellaneous Provisions
11 Section 1–113
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

16 **Article 24 – Political Subdivisions – Miscellaneous Provisions**

17 **1–113.**

18 **(A) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, IF A STATE LAW OR**
19 **REGULATION REQUIRES A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY TO ADOPT LEGISLATION**
20 **OR A REGULATION AT LEAST AS STRICT AS THE APPLICABLE STATE LAW OR**
21 **REGULATION, THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY MAY ADOPT THE STATE LAW OR**
22 **REGULATION BY REFERENCE.**

23 **(B) IF A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY ADOPTS A STATE LAW OR**
24 **REGULATION BY REFERENCE, THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY SHALL SPECIFY:**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(1) WHETHER IT ALSO ADOPTS BY REFERENCE ANY**
2 **AMENDMENTS TO THE STATE LAW OR REGULATION EFFECTIVE AFTER THE**
3 **LOCAL ADOPTION OF THE STATE LAW OR REGULATION BY REFERENCE; AND**

4 **(2) ANY EXCEPTIONS TO THE STATE LAW OR REGULATION IF THE**
5 **STATE LAW OR REGULATION AUTHORIZES LOCAL OPTIONS.**

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2013.