

CHAPTER 407

(House Bill 1211)

AN ACT concerning

Washington County Water and Sewer Infrastructure Commission

FOR the purpose of establishing a Washington County Water and Sewer Infrastructure Commission; specifying the membership of the Commission and certain work groups within the Commission; specifying the duties of the Commission; providing for the staffing of the Commission; requiring the Commission to issue certain reports by certain dates to the Washington County Delegation, the Washington County Board of County Commissioners, and the Hagerstown City Council; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the establishment of a Washington County Water and Sewer Infrastructure Commission.

Preamble

WHEREAS, Government officials from Washington County, including the City of Hagerstown and the other municipalities of the County, recognize the critical importance of safe drinking water for all residents of the County, and the necessity for clean water if the County is to maintain the population growth it has experienced over the last decade; and

WHEREAS, Government officials from Washington County, including the City of Hagerstown and the other municipalities of the County, recognize that the proper treatment and handling of wastewater is critical to the public health and safety of all residents in Washington County; and

WHEREAS, Government officials from Washington County, including the City of Hagerstown and the other municipalities of the County, recognize the critical importance of working in concert with each other for the betterment of each resident in the County, specifically with regard to providing safe drinking water and properly treating and handling wastewater; now, therefore,

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

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) "Chairman" means the member of the General Assembly who is elected by the entire Washington County Delegation to serve as the Chairman.

(3) "Washington County Delegation" means the Senators and Delegates who are elected to Washington County or any portion of Washington County.

(b) There is a Washington County Water and Sewer Infrastructure Commission.

(c) The Commission shall consist of the following 21 voting members: