

and opportunity for hearing and on the basis of the record before the board, of such of the following matters arising (either originally or on review of the action of an administrative officer or agency) under any law, ordinance, or regulation of, or subject to amendment or repeal by, the County Council, as shall be specified from time to time by such local laws enacted under this sub-section: an application for a zoning variation or exception or amendment of a zoning ordinance map; the issuance, renewal, denial, revocation, suspension, annulment, or modification of any license permit, approval, exemption, waiver, certificate, registration, or other form of permission or of any adjudicatory order; and the assessment of any special benefit tax: Provided That any decision by a county board of appeals, may, within 30 days after the decision is rendered, be appealed by any person aggrieved by the decision of the board and a party to the proceeding before it, to the Circuit Court for the county which shall have power to affirm the decision of the board, or if such decision is not in accordance with law, to modify or reverse such decision, with or without remanding the case for rehearing as justice may require. Whenever any such appeal is taken a copy thereof shall be served on the board by the clerk of the court and the board shall promptly give notice of the appeal to all parties to the proceedings before it and shall, within 15 days after the filing of the appeal, file with the court the originals or certified copies of all papers and evidence presented to the board in the proceeding before it, together with a copy of its opinion which shall include a statement of facts found and the grounds for its decision.

On petition of any party the Court of Appeals, whenever special circumstances render it desirable and in the public interest, may require by certiorari that any such case be certified to it by the Circuit Court for review and determination. The review proceedings provided by this sub-section shall be exclusive.

#### (W) Recreation

To enact local laws providing for the development and administration of a comprehensive recreational program including the construction, equipment and use of park, community center, and recreational buildings and facilities, the acquisition of sites therefor, and the furnishing of recreational and other municipal services in connection therewith.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1955.

Approved April 25, 1955.

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#### CHAPTER 559

(Senate Bill 107)

AN ACT to add Section 325A to Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Crimes and Punishments",

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken out of bill.