

STRAIGHT LINE TO THE CENTER OF PINEY CREEK WHERE SAID CREEK CROSSES THE ROAD RUNNING BETWEEN SURRATTSVILLE AND CHELTENHAM; THENCE SOUTHERLY ABOUT 1.3 MILES WITH THE CENTER LINE OF SAID PINEY CREEK TO THE CENTER LINE OF PISCATAWAY CREEK; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ABOUT 5.3 MILES WITH THE CENTER LINE OF PISCATAWAY CREEK TO ITS POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE EXISTING REGIONAL DISTRICT BOUNDARY; THENCE NORTHERLY AND EASTERLY ABOUT 10.8 MILES WITH THE SAID EXISTING REGIONAL DISTRICT BOUNDARY TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

(4) NO MUNICIPAL CORPORATION WITHIN THE AREAS ADDED BY THIS SUBSECTION TO THE MARYLAND-WASHINGTON REGIONAL DISTRICT SHALL BE AUTHORIZED, BY MEANS OF AN AMENDMENT TO ITS CHARTER OR OTHERWISE, TO EXERCISE ANY OF THE POWERS RELATING TO PLANNING, SUBDIVISION CONTROL AND/OR ZONING NOW OR HEREAFTER GRANTED BY THE SAID MARYLAND-WASHINGTON REGIONAL DISTRICT ACT TO THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION OR THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY. IF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL FOR ANY REASON BE HELD BY ANY COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION TO BE INVALID, IT IS HEREBY DECLARED TO BE THE INTENTION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT THIS SUBSECTION IS SEVERABLE AND THAT THE REMAINING PORTIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION WOULD HAVE BEEN ENACTED WITHOUT THE INVALID PORTIONS.

58. Enlargement of Regional District in Prince George's County.

(a) *Authorized.*—Any area in Prince George's County within any one election district and which area abuts territory within the Regional District may be annexed to the Commission and included within the boundaries of the Regional District, subject to laws and provisions appertaining thereto by ordinance adopted by the County Commissioners of Prince George's County, subject to the conditions hereinafter stated.

(b) *Petition to initiate proposal.*—The proposal for such inclusion shall be initiated by a written petition, signed by not less than twenty-five per centum (25%) of the persons who reside in the area to be annexed and who are registered as voters in county elections, and by the owners of not less than twenty-five per centum (25%) of the assessed valuation of the real property located in the area to be included. Upon the presentation of such a petition to the County Commissioners, the Chairman thereof shall cause to be made a verification of the signatures and shall ascertain that the persons signing the petition represent at least twenty-five per centum (25%) of the persons who reside in the area to be included and who are registered as voters in county elections, and the owners of twenty-five per centum (25%) of the assessed valuation of the real property located in the area to be included. Upon verifying that the requirements of this sub-section have been complied with, the Chairman of the County Commissioners shall promptly cause to be