

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1961.

Approved May 3, 1961.

CHAPTER 724

(House Bill 732)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 21(i) of Article 66B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1960 Supplement), title "Zoning and Planning", sub-title "Planning", sub-heading "Title 2—Zoning", amending the so-called zoning and planning enabling act with respect to the construction of certain homes physically joined together or being designed as "group houses" in Anne Arundel County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 21(i) of Article 66B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1960 Supplement), title "Zoning and Planning", sub-title "Planning", sub-heading "Title 2—Zoning", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

21(i).

[Notwithstanding the provisions of this article or any regulations established hereunder, in Anne Arundel County, the zoning commission shall not permit the construction of two or more homes physically joined together or having a party or common wall between each home, in Anne Arundel County, except in the City of Annapolis, Provided, however, that no provision in this sub-title shall prevent the construction of two or more homes physically joined together or having a party or common wall between each home, or land zoned or rezoned for such purposes prior to the effective date of this subtitle.] *Nothing* EXCEPT AS HEREINAFTER PROVIDED, NOTHING in this Article and no regulation, rule or ordinance of the local legislative body or of any agency thereof shall be construed to permit the construction of a "group house" in Anne Arundel County, and no permit shall be issued therefor, in said County. As used in this subsection, the term "group house" means three or more single family dwellings designed and erected as a single detached building, but this term shall not include a detached building used or arranged for occupancy as dwellings for three or more families as independent housekeeping units with all such housekeeping units being supplied water, heat, light and other public conveniences and utilities in common with each other; nor shall this term include buildings such as hotels or motels containing individual sleeping or living units primarily for the accommodation of transient guests.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NOTHING IN THIS SUB-TITLE SHALL PREVENT THE CONSTRUCTION OF GROUP HOUSES ON LAND ZONED OR REZONED FOR SUCH PURPOSES PRIOR TO JUNE 1, 1961.

PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT GROUP HOUSES MAY BE CONSTRUCTED IN ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY IN VARIED TYPE HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH