

County, Maryland, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

*Section 404 "Veto."*

【To guard against hasty legislation and】 TO afford the people of the County adequate opportunity to express their will, no bill, except emergency measures as provided in Article III, Sec. 308(g) of this Charter, shall become law until 【45】 SIXTY days following the close of the Legislative Session. Within 【the 45】 THIRTY (30) days 【aforesaid】 FOLLOWING THE CLOSE OF THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION, any person shall have the right to petition the County Council, or on written application to appear in person before it in Executive Session, and state his reasons why the bill should not become law. Prior to the expiration of said 【45】 THIRTY (30) day period, the County Council in Executive Session shall have the right, as the chief executive authority of the County, by the affirmative vote of four members, to veto a bill; and if vetoed, the bill shall not become law. If not vetoed, the bill shall become law on said 【45th】 SIXTIETH (60TH) day next following the last day of the Legislative Session in which passed, unless the bill is subjected to a valid referendum under this Charter. In the latter event, the bill shall become law on the 30th day following approval by the voters at the election, but not otherwise. Emergency measures may be vetoed in the same manner as hereinbefore provided, except such laws shall be effective until the date of veto, and subject to referendum as provided in Article III, Sec. 309.

*Section 2.* AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act, having been approved by not less than four members of the County Council of Wicomico County, said proposed amendments shall be published by the Administrative Director in one or more newspapers of general circulation in Wicomico County once each week for five successive weeks prior to the next General election or Congressional election occurring after the passage hereof and at said election the question shall be submitted to the voters of the County and if at said election the majority of the votes cast on the question shall be in favor of the herein proposed amendments, such amendments shall stand adopted and become a part of the Charter of Wicomico County, Maryland, from and after the thirtieth day following said election in accordance with Article XI, Section 1102 of the Charter of Wicomico County, Maryland.

CERTIFIED CORRECT AS PASSED

Richard S. Wootten, President

David H. Clark, Secretary

I HEREBY CERTIFY that twenty-five (25) copies of the above Bill are available for distribution to the public and press at the time of its introduction.

David H. Clark, Secretary

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Legislative Session (Second) June, 1970

Chapter 8

(Bill No. 8)

Introduced June 1, 1970

BY: Mr. Wootten, Mr. Riley, Mr. Burnett, Mr. Grier and Mr. Insley

An Act to enact Article VII entitled "Budgetary and fiscal procedures," Section 709, title, "Appropriation Control of Capital Funds,"