

resolution; and relating generally to ordinances and resolutions of the St. Mary's County Commissioners.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article 25 - County Commissioners
Section 3(r)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1973 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement)

BY adding to

The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County
Section 16(e)
Article 19 - Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1965 Edition and 1973 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 3(r) of Article 25 - County Commissioners, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1973 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 25 - County Commissioners

3.

(r) No act, ordinance or resolution shall be adopted by the county commissioners, under the powers conferred by this section, until ten days after a public hearing has been held on the proposed act, ordinance, or resolution. Prior notice of such public hearing, together with a fair summary of the proposed act, ordinance, or resolution, shall be published in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the county once each week for three successive weeks[; provided that this subsection shall not apply to any administrative act or resolution adopted by the county commissioners of Dorchester and Harford counties. This subsection shall apply to Washington County. The provisions of this subsection are not applicable in Kent County]. THIS SUBSECTION IS NOT APPLICABLE IN KENT COUNTY, NOR IS IT APPLICABLE TO ANY ADMINISTRATIVE ACT OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DORCHESTER, HARFORD, OR ST. MARY'S COUNTY. THIS SUBSECTION SHALL APPLY TO WASHINGTON COUNTY. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, "ORDINANCE" MEANS A PERMANENT RULE OF LAW ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, AND "RESOLUTION" MEANS A FORMAL EXPRESSION OF THE OPINION OF AN OFFICIAL BODY.