

50.

EVERY HIGH-RISE BUILDING AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 51 SHALL BE PROTECTED BY A COMPLETE AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEM INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACCEPTED ENGINEERING PRACTICES AS APPROVED BY THE AUTHORITY HAVING JURISDICTION.

51.

(A) ANY BUILDING PLANNED FOR CONSTRUCTION, BUT NOT UNDER CONSTRUCTION AS OF JULY 1, 1974, SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED IN CONFORMANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE, EXCEPT IF PRIOR APPROVAL OF PLANS HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM THE APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY. ALL OTHER HIGH-RISE BUILDINGS CONSTRUCTED AFTER JULY 1, 1974, SHALL COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO ANY EXISTING SAFETY FIRE LAWS, AND NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL BE CONSTRUED AS LIMITING THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE FIRE PREVENTION COMMISSION OR STATE FIRE MARSHAL TO ACT UNDER EXISTING SAFETY FIRE LAWS. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 13 OF THIS ARTICLE.

52.

THE STATE FIRE PREVENTION COMMISSION OR STATE FIRE MARSHAL AND IN BALTIMORE CITY THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS AND THE CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO MAKE EXCEPTIONS TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE ONLY WHEN THERE IS CLEAR EVIDENCE THAT ALTERNATE PROVISIONS WILL PROVIDE EQUIVALENT REASONABLE SAFETY TO LIFE, AS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1974.

Approved May 31, 1974.

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CHAPTER 627

(Senate Bill 579)

AN ACT concerning

Bloodsworth Island - Stationary Blinds and Blind Sites