

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.

Approved April 13, 1976.

CHAPTER 231

(House Bill 2086)

AN ACT concerning

Washington County - Annual Budget

FOR the purpose of requiring that a balanced annual county budget be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County; and prohibiting the Board from amending the budget so as to cause estimated appropriations to exceed estimated revenues.

BY adding to

The Public Local Laws of Washington County
Section ~~[[46]] 8-47~~
Article ~~[[8]] 22~~ - Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1970 Edition and 1975 Supplement, as amended)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section ~~[[46]] 8-47~~ be and it is hereby added to the Public Local Laws of Washington County being Article ~~[[8]] 22~~ of the Public Local Laws of Maryland (1970 Edition and 1975 Supplement, as amended) to read as follows:

Article ~~[[8]] 22~~

~~[[46]] 8-47.~~

THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, AS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, SHALL HAVE A FIGURE FOR THE TOTAL OF ALL PROPOSED APPROPRIATIONS AND A FIGURE FOR THE TOTAL OF ALL ESTIMATED REVENUES AVAILABLE TO PAY THE APPROPRIATIONS. THE FIGURE FOR TOTAL PROPOSED APPROPRIATIONS MAY NOT EXCEED THE FIGURE FOR TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES. THE BOARD IN AMENDING THE BUDGET BILL MAY NOT CAUSE THE FIGURE FOR TOTAL PROPOSED APPROPRIATIONS TO EXCEED THE FIGURE FOR TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES, INCLUDING ANY REVISIONS, AND IN THE BUDGET AS ENACTED THE FIGURE FOR TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES ALWAYS SHALL BE EQUAL TO OR EXCEED THE FIGURE FOR TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS. THE ONLY SURPLUS OF UNEXPENDED FUNDS WHICH CAN BE USED TO BALANCE THE ANNUAL BUDGET IS A SURPLUS CONFIRMED BY AUDIT.