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CHAPTER 240

(Senate Bill 1166)

AN ACT concerning

Kent County - Building and Housing Code

FOR the purpose of requiring the County Commissioners of Kent County to adopt a building code and a housing code; and clarifying language.

By repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 25 - County Commissioners Section 3(s) (2) Annotated Code of Maryland (1973 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 3(s)(2) of Article 25 - County Commissioners, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1973 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 25 - County Commissioners

3.

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF KENT COUNTY (s) (2) SHALL ADOPT, AND FROM TIME TO TIME MAY AMEND OR SUPPLEMENT, A BUILDING CODE AND A HOUSING CODE. The county commissioners of Harford, Frederick, Caroline, Calvert, Dorchester, AND Worcester [and Kent] counties may adopt, and from time to time may amend, supplement, or abrogate, a building code and a housing code, or either of such codes. The building code [, if adopted,] shall provide and prescribe regulations for the issuance of building permits to be required prior to the construction or improvement of any buildings; and [any such] THE code shall prescribe standards of construction, maintenance, and repair, covering structural safety, fire prevention requirements, lights and ventilation, and proper means of ingress and egress. The housing code[, if adopted,] shall provide and prescribe regulations and standards for human habitation, covering sanitation, density of occupancy, open-space requirements, rodent infestation, and human standards of occupancy.

A building code and a housing code, WHEN OR if