

[either is] adopted, and all regulations thereunder, shall be designed to assure and protect the public health, safety, comfort, and moral and economic welfare. They may include provisions for enforcement, including the appointment and maintenance of inspectors and including penalties for a violation of either a code or the regulations thereunder.

Any [such] BUILDING OR HOUSING code may incorporate by reference a portion or all, if applicable, of either a building code or a housing code, as the case may be, issued or proposed and made available for general circulation by any governmental agency or by any trade or professional association; but any subsequent amendment to or change in whatever is adopted by reference shall not be effective in Harford, Frederick, Caroline, Worcester, and Kent counties until and unless it is specifically incorporated therein by action of the board of county commissioners.

All buildings on a farm and on any premises devoted solely to agricultural pursuits are exempt from the provisions and the application of both building and housing codes.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1977.

Approved April 29, 1977.

CHAPTER 241

(Senate Bill 1203)

AN ACT concerning

Boiler and Pressure Vessel Safety -
Inspections and Access to Premises

FOR the purpose of authorizing the chief boiler inspector or deputy boiler inspector to inspect and investigate accidents and explosions involving boilers or pressure vessels; to allow free access to any premises for the purpose of inspection and certification; and generally relating to boiler and pressure vessel safety.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 48 - Inspections
Section 176 (a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)