

## CHAPTER 78

(House Bill 1472)

AN ACT concerning

## Calvert County - Building and Housing Code

FOR the purpose of including certain farm dwellings in Calvert County within operation of the building and housing code of Calvert County; and clarifying the organization of the law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 25 - County Commissioners  
Section 3(s)(2)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1973 Replacement Volume and 1978 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

## Article 25 - County Commissioners

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(s) (2) (I) The County Commissioners of Kent County 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 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.

(II) The building code shall provide and prescribe regulations for the issuance of building permits to be required prior to the construction or improvement of any buildings; and 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 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.

(III) A building code and a housing code, when or if 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