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CHAPTER 459

(Senate Bill 92)

AN ACT concerning

Proposed Capital Projects - Planning - High Performance Buildings

FOR the purpose of requiring a unit of State government requesting an appropriation for the preliminary planning of a proposed capital project to include in its program submission to the Department of Budget and Management a justification for proposing that the building is ~~not~~ appropriate for design as a high performance building; requiring the Department to conduct a certain review if a certain justification is submitted; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the planning and design of high performance buildings in proposed capital projects.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Finance and Procurement

Section 3-602(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - State Finance and Procurement

3-602.

(d) (1) ~~(I)~~ IN THIS ~~SUBSECTION~~ PARAGRAPH, "HIGH PERFORMANCE BUILDING" MEANS A BUILDING THAT ~~ACHIEVES AT LEAST~~:

~~(H)~~ 1. ACHIEVES AT LEAST A SILVER RATING ACCORDING TO THE U.S. GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL'S LEED (LEADERSHIP IN ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN) GREEN BUILDING RATING SYSTEM AS ADOPTED IN 2001 OR SUBSEQUENTLY BY THE MARYLAND GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL; OR

~~(H)~~ 2. ACHIEVES AT LEAST A TWO GLOBE RATING ACCORDING TO THE GREEN GLOBES PROGRAM AS ADOPTED BY THE GREEN BUILDING INITIATIVE; OR

~~(H)~~ ~~(H)~~ 3. ACHIEVES AT LEAST A COMPARABLE NUMERIC RATING ACCORDING TO A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED, ACCEPTED, AND APPROPRIATE NUMERIC SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT RATING SYSTEM, GUIDELINE, OR STANDARD; OR