

(3) "STATE UNIT" DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- DEPARTMENT;
- (I) THE BOARD OF REVIEW OF A PRINCIPAL
- OR
- (II) THE GOVERNING BODY OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT;
- (III) A UNIT THAT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT CREATES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from the first through third sentences of former Art. 78A, § 57(h).

In this subsection, the term "State unit" is substituted, as the defined term, for the former term "State agency", to conform to the terminology used throughout this article. Similarly, in paragraph (3)(iii) of this subsection, the word "unit" is substituted for the former word "agency". See the General Revisor's Note to this article.

In paragraph (2)(ii) of this subsection, the former reference to a "bi-county" district or authority is deleted as unnecessary in light of the reference to a "multicounty" district or authority.

Defined terms: "County" § 1-101
 "Includes"; "including" § 1-101
 "Local government" § 11-101

REVISOR'S NOTE TO SECTION: Former Art. 78A, § 57(b), which defined "county" to include Baltimore City, is deleted as unnecessary in light of the definition of "county" in § 1-101 of this article.

11-102. FINDINGS; STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.

(A) FINDINGS.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS THAT:

(1) THE VARYING AND TIME CONSUMING PROCEDURES IN OBTAINING NECESSARY DEVELOPMENT PERMITS FROM LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND STATE UNITS PLACED ONEROUS BURDENS ON PERSONS OR GOVERNMENTAL UNITS UNDERTAKING DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS;

(2) THE FORMER METHODS FOR PERMITTING PUBLIC COMMENT ON DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS WERE CUMBERSOME AND TIME CONSUMING, PLACED UNDUE HARDSHIP ON MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, AND INHIBITED THE PUBLIC'S ABILITY TO PRESENT ITS VIEWS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND STATE UNITS GRANTING DEVELOPMENT PERMITS; AND