

in the statement; requiring that the Board publish the statement in a certain number of Cecil County newspapers; ~~permitting expenses to be payable only after a waiting period; permitting a county taxpayer to appeal an expense claim; providing for a hearing for that appeal;~~ and generally relating to monthly expense claims submitted to the Board of County Commissioners of Cecil County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Cecil County
Section 1-29
Article 8 - Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1970 Edition and December, 1982 Supplement, as amended)

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

Article 8 - Cecil County

1-29.

(A) The County Commissioners of Cecil County shall publish all records of county expenses in their minutes, which shall be made available for public inspection. IN ADDITION, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL COMPILE AT THE END OF EACH MONTH A DETAILED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR ALL OF THE EXPENSE PAYMENTS ABOVE \$100 THAT WERE MADE DURING THAT MONTH. THE STATEMENT SHALL INCLUDE ~~THE DATE THE EXPENSE ITEM WAS INCURRED;~~ THE NAME TO WHOM THE EXPENSE PAYMENT WAS MADE PAYABLE, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE EXPENSE ITEM, AND AN IDENTIFICATION OF THE PARTICULAR ITEM OF EXPENSE; ~~AND THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE EXPENSE ACCOUNT.~~ THE BOARD SHALL PUBLISH, WITHIN 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE LAST DAY OF THE PREVIOUS MONTH, THE STATEMENT IN A NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN CECIL COUNTY.

~~(B) AN EXPENSE CLAIM MAY NOT BE REIMBURSED UNTIL 5 WORKING DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE CLAIM BY THE COUNTY TREASURER. ANY TAXPAYER WHO DESIRES TO OBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF ANY CLAIM SHALL FILE A PROTEST IN WRITING WITH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BEFORE THE EXPIRATION OF THE 5 WORKING DAYS, SPECIFYING THE CLAIM OBJECTED TO AND THE REASON FOR THE OBJECTION. ON THE FILING OF THE OBJECTION THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL SET THE OBJECTION DOWN FOR HEARING AND NOTIFY ALL INTERESTED PARTIES OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE HEARING. IF AT THE HEARING, IT SHALL, IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE BOARD, APPEAR THAT ANY CLAIM OBJECTED TO IS NOT CORRECT OR JUST AND BONA FIDE, THE BOARD SHALL REJECT AND REFUSE TO PAY THE CLAIM, OR ANY PART OF THE CLAIM FOUND TO BE INCORRECT.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1984.