

SECTION ~~2, 3, 4~~ AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1997.

Approved May 22, 1997.

CHAPTER 759

(Senate Bill 389)

AN ACT concerning

“Smart Growth” and Neighborhood Conservation – “Smart Growth” Areas

FOR the purpose of enhancing the Economic Growth, Resource Protection, and Planning Act of 1992 by setting priorities for certain State spending so as to preserve existing neighborhoods and agricultural, natural, and rural resources; establishing priority funding areas in the State; providing that certain State agencies may not approve certain projects which are not in priority funding areas after a certain date; providing for certain exceptions; authorizing the Board of Public Works to grant exceptions under certain circumstances; ~~requiring the Maryland Office of Planning to establish a collaborative process with local governments for the determination of priority funding areas; defining certain terms~~ establishing a certain certification process for the designation of priority funding areas before those areas may be eligible for certain funding; requiring the Maryland Office of Planning to establish a certain process for the review of certain projects and to complete a certain survey and list by a certain date; defining certain terms; requiring that priority funding areas maps and descriptions be updated periodically; requiring municipal corporations to assist counties in the collection of certain fees to finance certain school construction; requiring municipal corporations to adopt certain development standards under certain circumstances; providing that a decision to fund or not to fund a project is not subject to certain administrative actions; ~~requiring the Governor to convene a certain task force for certain purposes; requiring the task force to submit a certain report by a certain date~~; providing that this Act does not create a private cause of action; providing that this Act shall not apply to certain projects; and generally relating to “smart growth” and the establishment of priority funding areas.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 23A – Corporations – Municipal
Section 8C

Annotated Code of Maryland
(1996 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Transportation
Section 2-103.1(a)(4) and (5) and 8-610(g) and (h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1993 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)