

CHAPTER 377

(Senate Bill 260)

AN ACT concerning

Garrett County – County Commissioners – Agricultural Districts

FOR the purpose of requiring the Garrett County Board of County Commissioners to adopt certain rules, regulations, and procedures in accordance with certain requirements for the establishment of agricultural districts in Garrett County; prohibiting certain rules, regulations, and procedures adopted by the Commissioners from requiring a natural gas rights owner or lessee to subordinate its interest to the Commissioners' interest under certain circumstances; prohibiting the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation from purchasing certain easements in Garrett County under certain circumstances; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to agricultural districts in Garrett County.

BY adding to

Article 25 – County Commissioners

Section 237

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

Article 25 – County Commissioners

237.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) "ADVISORY BOARD" MEANS THE GARRETT COUNTY AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD.

(3) "COMMISSIONERS" MEANS THE GARRETT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

(B) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO GARRETT COUNTY.