

HB0655/653524/1

BY: Delegate Morgan

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 655, AS AMENDED
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1 of the Committee on Ways and Means Amendments (HB0655/795968/1), in line 3 of Amendment No. 1, after “Act;” insert “submitting certain provisions of this Act to a referendum of the qualified voters of St. Mary’s County; making certain provisions of this Act subject to a certain contingency;”.

On page 2 of the Committee on Ways and Means Amendments, in line 9 of Amendment No. 1, after “amended)” insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Local Government

Section 9–114(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2013 Volume and 2020 Supplement)

(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2 of the Committee on Ways and Means Amendments, in line 2 of Amendment No. 2, after “**(A)**” insert “**(1)**”; in the same line, strike “**THIS**” and substitute “**SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THIS**”; and after line 2, insert:

“(2) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO ST. MARY’S COUNTY.”.

On page 5 of the Committee on Ways and Means Amendments, after line 2 of Amendment No. 2, insert:

(Over)

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:”.

On page 6 of the Committee on Ways and Means Amendments, in line 5 of Amendment No. 2, after “President.” insert:

“SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Local Government

9–114.

(a) [(1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this section, this] THIS section applies only to code counties and commission counties.

[(2) This section does not apply to St. Mary’s County.]”;

in line 6, strike “2.” and substitute “4.”; in the same line, after “That” insert “Section 1 of”; in line 11, after “Act.” insert:

“SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That before Section 2 of this Act becomes effective, it first shall be submitted to a referendum of the qualified voters of St. Mary’s County at the general election to be held in November 2022. The County governing body and the St. Mary’s County Board of Elections shall do those things necessary and proper to provide for and hold the referendum required by this section. If a majority of the votes cast on the question are “For the referred law” Section 2 of this Act shall become effective on the 30th day following the official canvass of votes for the referendum, but if a majority of the votes cast on the question are “Against the referred law” Section 2 of this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be null and void.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 3 of this Act is contingent on Section 2 of this Act taking effect, and if Section 2 of this Act does not become effective, Section 3 of this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be null and void.”;

and in line 12, strike “3.” and substitute “7.”.

In line 18 of the bill, after “That” insert “, subject to Section 5 of this Act and except as provided in Section 6 of this Act.”.