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By: **Carroll County Delegation**  
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CHAPTER 68

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Carroll County - Abatement of Weed Nuisances**

3 FOR the purpose of providing that the growth of certain weeds may not constitute a  
4 nuisance or menace if the land on which the weeds are growing is being used for  
5 certain purposes or if the land is owned by Carroll County and has a certain  
6 designation; and generally relating to the abatement of weed nuisances in  
7 Carroll County.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 The Public Local Laws of Carroll County  
10 Section 3-106(b)  
11 Article 7 - Public Local Laws of Maryland  
12 (2000 Edition and October 2002 Supplement, as amended)

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

15 **Article 7 - Carroll County**

16 3-106.

17 (b) The County Commissioners may remove any nuisance or menace to the  
18 public health or safety arising from the growth of weeds, the accumulation of refuse,  
19 an abandoned well, the presence of stagnant water, or the presence of combustible  
20 material after 10 days' advance notice to the owner or occupant of the property upon  
21 which the nuisance or menace is found. THE GROWTH OF WEEDS MAY NOT  
22 CONSTITUTE A NUISANCE OR MENACE IF THE LAND ON WHICH THE WEEDS ARE  
23 GROWING IS BEING USED FOR A BONA FIDE AGRICULTURAL PURPOSE OR IF THE

1 LAND IS OWNED BY THE COUNTY AND IS SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED AS A NATURAL  
2 REGENERATION PROJECT AREA. Notice may be given by personal service or by mail.  
3 If the written order is delivered by mail, notice is effective at the end of the known  
4 fifth day after its deposit in the mail to the last known address of the owner or  
5 occupant of the property concerned.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
7 October 1, 2004.