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House Bill 579

(Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery
County Delegation)

Environmental Matters

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission - Customer Notices
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This bill authorizes the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) to enter the common area of a multifamily building, or a commercial building that has a WSSC water or sewer connection at a reasonable time to post a notice on or near the entry door of the building or unit that informs the owner or occupant of any official commission business that affects either the public or that particular property.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: None. The bill is procedural in nature and has no fiscal impact on WSSC.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Background: WSSC is the eighth largest water and wastewater utility in the country, providing water and sewer services to 1.8 million residents in Montgomery and Prince George's counties. It has over 460,000 customer accounts, serves an area of around 1,000 square miles, and currently employs more than 1,500 people. The agency operates four reservoirs, two water filtration plants, and six wastewater treatment plants. Additionally, the Blue Plains Water Pollution Control Plant handles as much as 169 million gallons per day under a cost-sharing agreement with WSSC. The agency

maintains nearly 5,500 miles of water main lines and over 5,300 miles of sewer main lines.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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