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§5–106.

(a) In this section, “conservation area” means an area in a municipality that the legislative body of the municipality finds to be so affected by blight and community or property deterioration as to require comprehensive renovation and rehabilitation.

(b) This section does not apply to or affect:

- (1) Anne Arundel County;
- (2) Calvert County;
- (3) Howard County;
- (4) Kent County;
- (5) Somerset County;
- (6) Wicomico County; or
- (7) Worcester County.

(c) The legislative body of a municipality may:

(1) establish and define the boundaries of a conservation area in the municipality; and

(2) establish and vest in any unit of the municipality, for a period not exceeding 5 years, exclusive jurisdiction or authority to enforce in the conservation area the laws, ordinances, codes, rules, and regulations the legislative body of the municipality considers expedient.

(d) This section does not authorize a unit of the municipality established under subsection (c) of this section to interfere with the powers of a law enforcement authority in a municipality.

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