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1	AN	\mathbf{ACT}	concerning

2 Public Information Act – Denials of Inspection – Explanation Regarding Redaction

- FOR the purpose of requiring, under certain circumstances, a custodian of a public record to include in a certain written statement an explanation of why redacting information would not address the reasons for denying inspection of a public record; and generally relating to the denials of inspection of public records.
- 8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 9 Article General Provisions
- 10 Section 4–203
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (2014 Volume and 2016 Supplement)
- 13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 14 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 Article - General Provisions

- 16 4–203.
- 17 (a) The custodian shall grant or deny the application promptly, but not more than 30 days after receiving the application.

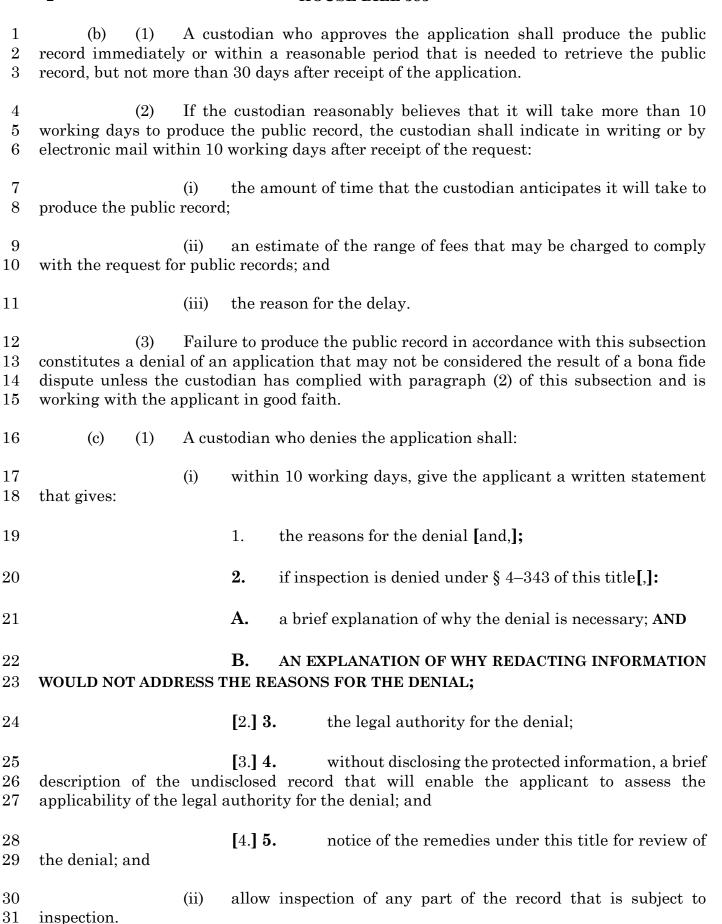
EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.





(2) A custodian may not ignore an application to inspect public records on the grounds that the application was intended for purposes of harassment.			
(d) Any time limit imposed under this section:			
(1) with the consent of the applicant, may be extended for not more than 30 days; and			
(2) if the applicant seeks resolution of a dispute under § 4–1B–04 of this tle, shall be extended pending resolution of that dispute.			
SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2017.			
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Approved:			
Governor.			
Speaker of the House of Delegates.			
President of the Senate.			