

HOUSE BILL 131

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(PRE-FILED)

By: **Delegate Stewart**

Requested: October 9, 2023

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Housing Development Permit Applications – Local Reporting Requirements**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain local jurisdictions to report certain information about
4 housing development permit applications to the Department of Housing and
5 Community Development and the Department of Planning on or before a certain
6 date each year; requiring a local jurisdiction to make a copy of the report publicly
7 available on its website; and generally relating to housing development permit
8 applications.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Land Use

11 Section 7–105

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2012 Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Land Use**

17 **7–105.**

18 **(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO A LOCAL JURISDICTION WITH AT LEAST**
19 **250,000 RESIDENTS.**

20 **(B) ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1 EACH YEAR, EACH LOCAL JURISDICTION**
21 **SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION SHALL REPORT TO THE**
22 **DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND THE**
23 **DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR EACH TYPE OF**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 PROJECT PERMIT APPLICATION FOR RESIDENTIAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS
2 CONSIDERED BY THE LOCAL JURISDICTION DURING THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING
3 CALENDAR YEAR:

4 (1) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED;

5 (2) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETE APPLICATIONS APPROVED;

6 (3) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETE APPLICATIONS REJECTED;

7 (4) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS APPROVED;

8 (5) THE MEAN AND MEDIAN PROCESSING TIMES FOR PERMIT
9 APPLICATIONS AND THE STANDARD DEVIATION FROM THE MEAN;

10 (6) ANY TYPE OF EXPEDITED PERMIT APPLICATION PROCESS THAT
11 THE LOCAL JURISDICTION EMPLOYED TO ACCELERATE RESIDENTIAL HOUSING
12 DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS; AND

13 (7) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
14 PROJECTS THAT BENEFITED FROM AN EXPEDITED PERMIT APPLICATION PROCESS
15 IN THE LOCAL JURISDICTION AND WHICH TYPE OF EXPEDITED PROCESS WAS USED.

16 (C) (1) (I) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A LOCAL
17 JURISDICTION SHALL MAKE THE REPORT REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION
18 PUBLICLY AVAILABLE ON ITS WEBSITE.

19 (II) AN ANNOUNCEMENT POSTED TO A LOCAL JURISDICTION'S
20 WEBSITE STATING THAT A PERSON SHOULD CONTACT THE RELEVANT LOCAL
21 DEPARTMENT FOR ACCESS TO THE REPORT DOES NOT FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS
22 OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

23 (2) A LOCAL JURISDICTION THAT DOES NOT MAINTAIN A WEBSITE
24 SHALL MAKE THE REPORT PUBLICLY AVAILABLE THROUGH ANY OTHER
25 REASONABLE METHOD.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
27 October 1, 2024.