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**By: St. Mary's County Delegation**
Introduced and read first time: January 31, 1997
Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1  AN ACT concerning

2     **St. Mary's County - Subdivision Regulations - Authority**

3  FOR the purpose of clarifying the authority for provisions regulating subdivisions in St.
4        Mary's County.

5  BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
6        The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County
7        Section 127-1
8        Article 19 - Public Local Laws of Maryland
9        (1978 Edition and July 1996 Supplement, as amended)

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

12        **Article 19 - St. Mary's County**

13  127-1.

14        A. The Board of County Commissioners may prepare regulations and
15  amendments to them governing the subdivision of land within the county.

16        B. [The] IN ADDITION TO PROVISIONS AUTHORIZED BY ARTICLE 66B, § 5.03
17  OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, THE regulations may provide for:

18              (1) The harmonious development of the district.

19              (2) The coordination of roads within the subdivision with other existing
20  planned or platted roads or with other features of the county or with the Commission's
21  general plan.

22              (3) Adequate open spaces for traffic, recreation, light and air, by dedication
23  or otherwise, and the dedication to public use or conveyance of areas designated for
24  dedication under the provisions of zoning regulations relating to average lot size or
25  planned community subdivisions and for the payment of a monetary fee, in lieu of
26  dedication, to enable the Commission to purchase, develop or maintain park sites for the
27  use and benefit of the subdivisions in cases where dedication would be impractical. The
28  Commissioners shall establish the monetary fee by resolution on a per-unit or per-lot
29  basis.

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1   SECTION 2.  AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 1997.