

SENATE BILL 194

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By: **Senator Bromwell**

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Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Underground Facilities - Marking Fees - Prohibited**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a political subdivision or municipal corporation from
4 charging, assessing, or collecting from a person a fee for reimbursement of
5 expenses incurred for marking or re-marking an underground facility.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article - Public Utility Companies
8 Section 12-111
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (1998 Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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

13 **Article - Public Utility Companies**

14 12-111.

15 (a) A political subdivision or municipal corporation may NOT charge, assess, or
16 collect from a person [a one-time] AN initial marking fee [not exceeding \$35] for
17 reimbursement of expenses that the political subdivision or municipal corporation
18 incurs to comply with this subtitle.

19 (b) If re-marking is requested, or is required after renotification under §
20 12-108(b) of this subtitle, a political subdivision or municipal corporation may NOT
21 charge, assess, or collect from a person a re-marking fee [not exceeding \$15] for
22 reimbursement of expenses that the political subdivision or municipal corporation
23 incurs to comply with this subtitle.

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
25 October 1, 2002.