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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Water and Sewer - Lots Created by Intrafamily Transfers and Preexisting**  
3 **Lots - Sewer Connections**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring that certain county plans for water and sewer systems  
5 allow for a certain number of connections between certain lots and a State sewer  
6 line bypassing the lot; and generally relating to sewer connections.

7 BY renumbering  
8 Article - Environment  
9 Section 9-505(a)(14) through (19), respectively  
10 to be Section 9-505(a)(16) through (21), respectively  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (1996 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

13 BY adding to  
14 Article - Environment  
15 Section 9-505(a)(14) and (15)  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (1996 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

18 Preamble

19 WHEREAS, In our efforts to reduce pollution and improve water quality in our  
20 Chesapeake Bay, we have extended sewer lines in many existing waterfront  
21 communities at the shared expense of federal, State, and local jurisdictions; and

22 WHEREAS, We are striving to achieve "Smart Growth" to minimize sprawl and  
23 preserve as much of our farmland and woodland as possible; and

24 WHEREAS, Our goal should be to make use of existing infrastructure and  
25 allow at least one dwelling to be located on any buildable parcel that can be served by  
26 such sewerage extensions; now, therefore,

1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
2 MARYLAND, That Section(s) 9-505(a)(14) through (19), respectively, of Article -  
3 Environment of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s)  
4 9-505(a)(16) through (21), respectively.

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland  
6 read as follows:

7 **Article - Environment**

8 9-505.

9 (a) In addition to the other requirements of this subtitle, each county plan  
10 shall:

11 (14) ALLOW FOR ONE CONNECTION BETWEEN A LOT CREATED BY A BONA  
12 FIDE INTRAFAMILY TRANSFER UNDER § 8-1808.2 OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES  
13 ARTICLE AND A STATE SEWER LINE BYPASSING THE LOT;

14 (15) ALLOW FOR ONE CONNECTION BETWEEN A STATE SEWER LINE  
15 BYPASSING A PARCEL IF THE PARCEL EXISTED BEFORE THE CREATION OF  
16 RESOURCE CONSERVATION AREAS UNDER § 8-1802.2 OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES  
17 ARTICLE AND WAS EXEMPTED FROM THE 1-IN-20-ACRE DENSITY OF DEVELOPMENT  
18 PERMITTED FOR PARCELS LOCATED WITHIN RESOURCE CONSERVATION AREAS;

19 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
20 effect October 1, 2003.