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By: **Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George's County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 3, 2005

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County - Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission -**  
3 **Commissioner Removal**  
4 **MC/PG 128-05**

5 FOR the purpose of authorizing the removal, in Prince George's County, of a  
6 commissioner of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission by the  
7 resolution of a majority of the members of the Prince George's County Council  
8 except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the removal, in  
9 Prince George's County, of a commissioner of the Washington Suburban  
10 Sanitary Commission.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
12 Article 29 - Washington Suburban Sanitary District  
13 Section 1-104  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2003 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

18 **Article 29 - Washington Suburban Sanitary District**

19 1-104.

20 (a) A commissioner may be removed before the completion of the  
21 commissioner's term:

22 (1) [In Montgomery County:

23 (i)] By the County Executive OF THE COUNTY THE COMMISSIONER  
24 REPRESENTS with the approval of a majority of the members of the County Council  
25 OF THE COUNTY THE COMMISSIONER REPRESENTS; or

1                    [(ii)]    (2)    Unless the [Montgomery] County Executive disapproves  
2 the resolution in writing within 30 days of its adoption, by resolution of a majority of  
3 the members of the County Council]; and

4                    (2)    In Prince George's County, by the County Executive with the  
5 approval of a majority of the members of the County Council].

6        (b)    (1)    Unless a hearing is waived in writing by the commissioner  
7 designated for removal, prior to any removal under this subsection a public hearing  
8 shall be held:

9                    (i)    In Montgomery County, by the body initiating the removal  
10 proceeding; and

11                    (ii)   In Prince George's County, by the County Council.

12                    (2)    Each commissioner shall be given an opportunity at the hearing to  
13 present a defense.

14        SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
15 October 1, 2005.