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By: Washington County Delegation
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Assigned to: Appropriations

	A BILL ENTITLED
1	AN ACT concerning
2 3	Washington County - Insurance - Certificates of Guarantee for County Bond Requirements
4 5 6 7 8 9	FOR the purpose of authorizing Washington County to honor certificates of guarantee that are issued by certain associations or on behalf of certain contractors in order to satisfy certain county bond requirements; providing that Washington County is not required under a certain provision of law to honor certain certificates of insurance; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to Washington County and certificates of guarantee.
10 11 12 13 14	Annotated Code of Maryland
15 16	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
17	Article - Insurance
18	1-203.
19	(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.
20	(2) "Certificate of guarantee" means an instrument that is issued:
23	(i) by a nonprofit association of contractors, or its wholly owned subsidiary that is approved to operate by Calvert County, Charles County, Prince George's County, Montgomery County, [or] St. Mary's County, OR WASHINGTON COUNTY, as appropriate; and
25	(ii) on behalf of a contractor for the purpose of satisfying:
26	1. county bond requirements for public improvements; or

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1	2. other county bond requirements.
4	(3) "Contractor" means a person that, for a fixed price, commission, fee or percentage, undertakes to bid on or accepts or offers to accept orders or contracts to perform or supervise the construction, improvement, or maintenance of a building, structure, or road.
6	(b) This article does not apply to a certificate of guarantee.
7 8	(c) Calvert County, Charles County, Montgomery County, Prince George's County, [and] St. Mary's County, AND WASHINGTON COUNTY:
9	(1) may honor certificates of guarantee; but
10	(2) are not required under this article to honor certificates of guarantee.
11 12	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2006.