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By: **Washington County Delegation**  
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 Assigned to: Appropriations

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Washington County - Insurance - Certificates of Guarantee for County Bond**  
 3 **Requirements**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing Washington County to honor certificates of guarantee  
 5 that are issued by certain associations or on behalf of certain contractors in  
 6 order to satisfy certain county bond requirements; providing that Washington  
 7 County is not required under a certain provision of law to honor certain  
 8 certificates of insurance; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to  
 9 Washington County and certificates of guarantee.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 11 Article - Insurance  
 12 Section 1-203  
 13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 14 (2003 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
 16 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:

21 (i) by a nonprofit association of contractors, or its wholly owned  
 22 subsidiary that is approved to operate by Calvert County, Charles County, Prince  
 23 George's County, Montgomery County, [or] St. Mary's County, OR WASHINGTON  
 24 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

