

HOUSE BILL 679

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

Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2007

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County - Real Property - Home Builders - Disclosures in**
3 **Contracts of Sale**

4 **PG 424-07**

5 FOR the purpose of requiring that, in Prince George's County, a home builder that
6 agrees to provide a community amenity to a community development must
7 include certain information in the contract of sale; providing for a penalty; and
8 generally relating to the disclosure of certain information by a home builder in
9 Prince George's County.

10 BY adding to

11 Article - Real Property

12 Section 10-705

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (2003 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

17 **Article - Real Property**

18 **10-705.**

19 (A) **IN THIS SECTION, "COMMUNITY AMENITY" INCLUDES A:**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1 **(1) COUNTRY CLUB;**
- 2 **(2) GOLF COURSE;**
- 3 **(3) HEALTH CLUB;**
- 4 **(4) PARK;**
- 5 **(5) SWIMMING POOL;**
- 6 **(6) TENNIS COURT; AND**
- 7 **(7) WALKING TRAIL.**

8 **(B) IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, A HOME BUILDER THAT AGREES TO**
9 **PROVIDE A COMMUNITY AMENITY TO A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SHALL**
10 **INCLUDE IN THE CONTRACT OF SALE THE DATE BY WHICH THE COMMUNITY**
11 **AMENITY WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE.**

12 **(C) A VIOLATION OF SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO**
13 **A FINE NOT EXCEEDING:**

- 14 **(1) \$1,000 FOR AN INITIAL VIOLATION; AND**
- 15 **(2) \$5,000 FOR A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION.**

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
17 October 1, 2007.