HOUSE BILL 709

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By: **Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George's County Delegation** Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2007 Assigned to: Environmental Matters

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Fuel Gas – Jurisdiction and
 Regulations

MC/PG 124-07

5 FOR the purpose of altering the authority of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) to adopt regulations for the installation of certain plant 6 7 and equipment in connection with fuel gas; authorizing the WSSC to require a permit and charge a fee for the installation of certain fuel gas plant and 8 9 equipment; repealing a provision that states that the WSSC does not have jurisdiction over bottled gas and that WSSC regulations do not apply to 10 premises on which only bottled gas is consumed; making stylistic changes; and 11 generally relating to WSSC jurisdiction and regulations over fuel gas. 12

- 13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 14 Article 29 Washington Suburban Sanitary District
- 15 Section 9–102
- 16 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 17 (2003 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

18 BY repealing

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law. <u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill. <u>Strike out</u> indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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Article 29 – Washington Suburban Sanitary District
 Section 9–103
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2003 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)
 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

6 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article 29 – Washington Suburban Sanitary District

8 9–102.

9 The WSSC may adopt [rules and] regulations that the WSSC (a) (1)considers necessary or desirable for the [construction, installation, and equipment] 10 of **FUEL** fixtures, devices.] PIPING, APPLIANCES, 11 INSTALLATION gas 12 APPURTENANCES, and connections from the [outlet of the meter] POINT OF 13 **SERVICE** supplying any [building] **PREMISES** in the Washington Suburban Sanitary District. The WSSC may require a permit and charge a fee for [these] THE 14 15 OF FUEL gas fixtures. devices.] PIPING, APPLIANCES, INSTALLATION **APPURTENANCES,** and connections. 16

17 (2) The WSSC shall publish separate notices of any new [rules and] 18 regulations which are authorized by this section at least 30 days before their effective 19 date in at least 2 newspapers published in each county.

20 (b) A person may not violate any of the [rules or] regulations adopted by the
21 WSSC under this section.

22 [9–103.

The WSSC does not have any jurisdiction over bottled gas, and the WSSC's rules and regulations do not apply to premises on which only bottled gas is consumed.]

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

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