

CHAPTER 426

(House Bill 709)

AN ACT concerning

Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Fuel Gas – Jurisdiction and Regulations

MC/PG 124-07

FOR the purpose of altering the authority of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) to adopt regulations for the installation of certain plant 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 equipment; repealing a provision that states that the WSSC does not have jurisdiction over bottled gas and that WSSC regulations do not apply to premises on which only bottled gas is consumed; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to WSSC jurisdiction and regulations over fuel gas.

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

BY repealing
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 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 29 – Washington Suburban Sanitary District

9-102.

(a) (1) The WSSC may adopt [rules and] regulations that the WSSC considers necessary or desirable for the [construction, installation, and equipment]

INSTALLATION of **FUEL** gas [fixtures, devices,] **PIPING, APPLIANCES, APPURTENANCES**, and connections from the [outlet of the meter] **POINT OF SERVICE** supplying any [building] **PREMISES** in the Washington Suburban Sanitary District. The WSSC may require a permit and charge a fee for [these] **THE INSTALLATION OF FUEL** gas [fixtures, devices,] **PIPING, APPLIANCES, APPURTENANCES**, and connections.

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

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

[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.]

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

Approved by the Governor, May 8, 2007.