CHAPTER 439

(House Bill 1136)

AN ACT concerning

Montgomery County – Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Financial Oversight Act

MC/PG 101-09

FOR the purpose of requiring the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to file a certified copy of its annual audit and current financial statements each year with the County Council of Montgomery County; authorizing the County Council of Montgomery County to audit and examine the books and records of the Commission under certain circumstances; and generally relating to audits and financial statements of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 29 – Washington Suburban Sanitary District Section 1–106 and 4–101(d) Annotated Code of Maryland (2003 Replacement Volume and 2008 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

1 - 106.

The WSSC shall:

(1) Publish annually in at least one newspaper in Montgomery County, and one in Prince George's County, a copy of the current financial statement of the WSSC;

(2) Employ a certified public accountant licensed to practice in this State to audit the books and accounts of the WSSC;

(3) Keep available and open to public inspection during business hours, at its principal office, the annual audit and current financial statements; and

(4) File annually with the County Executive and County Council of Prince George's County and the County Executive AND COUNTY COUNCIL of Montgomery County, a certified copy of the annual audit and current financial statements.

4–101.

(d) The **COUNTY COUNCIL OR** County Executive of Montgomery County or the County Council or County Executive of Prince George's County may at any time in person or by either of their duly authorized agents, audit and examine the books and records of the WSSC; provided, however, that such audit or examination shall be without cost to the WSSC.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor, May 7, 2009.