

# HOUSE BILL 630

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By: **Delegates Beidle and Vitale**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

### 2 **Building Standards – High-Performance Homes**

3 FOR the purpose of ~~providing that~~ requiring the Department of Housing and  
4 Community Development, ~~through certain measures, shall~~ to encourage the  
5 construction of new residential structures that are high-performance homes;  
6 defining a certain term; and generally relating to green building standards for  
7 homes.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Public Safety

10 Section ~~12-502(d)~~ 12-509

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2003 Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

### 15 **Article – Public Safety**

16 ~~12-502.~~ **12-509.**

17 ~~(D)~~ **(A)** ~~(1)~~ **(1)** IN THIS ~~SUBSECTION~~ **SECTION**, “HIGH-PERFORMANCE  
18 HOME” MEANS A NEW RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE THAT MEETS OR EXCEEDS THE  
19 CURRENT VERSION OF:

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1                            ~~(1)~~ (1)        THE ~~BRONZE~~ SILVER RATING OF THE  
2 INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL'S 700 NATIONAL GREEN BUILDING  
3 STANDARDS; OR

4                            ~~(2)~~ (2)        THE SILVER RATING OF THE U.S. GREEN  
5 BUILDING COUNCIL'S LEED (LEADERSHIP IN ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL  
6 DESIGN) FOR HOMES RATING SYSTEM.

7                            ~~(2) (B)~~        ~~NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTIONS~~  
8 ~~(A), (B), AND (C) OF THIS SECTION AND IN ADDITION TO THE OTHER PROVISIONS~~  
9 ~~OF THIS SUBTITLE RELATING TO BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS, THE~~  
10 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ENCOURAGE, THROUGH REGULATION, POLICY, OR  
11 LEGISLATION, THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES IN THE  
12 STATE THAT ARE HIGH-PERFORMANCE HOMES.

13                            SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
14 October 1, 2011.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.