

SENATE BILL 845

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By: **Senator Getty**

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Assigned to: Rules

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Senate action: Adopted

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Information Act – Required Denials – Electronic Mail Addresses**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring, ~~except under certain circumstances,~~ a custodian of a
4 public record to deny inspection of the part of a public record that contains a
5 certain electronic mail address; exempting the judiciary department from the
6 provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the inspection of public records
7 under the Public Information Act.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – State Government

10 Section 10–617(n)

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – State Government**

16 10–617.

17 **(N) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS**
18 **SUBSECTION, A CUSTODIAN SHALL DENY INSPECTION OF THE PART OF A PUBLIC**
19 **RECORD THAT CONTAINS AN ELECTRONIC MAIL ADDRESS ~~THAT WAS PROVIDED~~**

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 ~~FOR THE PURPOSE OF OR IN THE COURSE OF COMMUNICATING WITH OF AN~~
2 ~~INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT AN EMPLOYEE OF A UNIT OR INSTRUMENTALITY OF~~
3 ~~THE STATE OR OF A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.~~

4 (2) THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE JUDICIARY
5 DEPARTMENT.

6 ~~(2) IF AN ELECTRONIC MAIL ADDRESS IS THE ONLY WAY TO~~
7 ~~IDENTIFY THE PERSON IN INTEREST, A CUSTODIAN SHALL PERMIT INSPECTION~~
8 ~~OF THE PART OF A PUBLIC RECORD THAT CONTAINS THE ELECTRONIC MAIL~~
9 ~~ADDRESS.~~

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 October 1, 2013.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.