

HB0346/268970/1

BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 346
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 9, after “divorce,” insert “in provisions concerning judicial review of a certain zoning decision of a certain board of appeals or a zoning action of a certain legislative body, in provisions concerning the acknowledgement of certain instruments in the State.”.

On page 2, after line 6, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Land Use

Section 4–402(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Volume and 2014 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Government

Section 19–102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, after line 28, insert:

“Article – Land Use

4–402.

(Over)

(b) (1) If, after a hearing, the circuit court determines that testimony is needed for the proper disposition of the matter, the court may take evidence or appoint a special [master] MAGISTRATE to:

(i) take the required evidence; and

(ii) report the evidence to the court with the special [master's] MAGISTRATE'S findings of fact and conclusions of law.

(2) The special [master's] MAGISTRATE'S evidence, findings, and conclusions shall constitute a part of the proceedings on which the court shall make its determination.

Article – State Government

19–102.

The acknowledgment of any instrument may be made in the State before:

(1) a judge of a court of record;

(2) a clerk or deputy clerk of a court having a seal;

(3) a notary public; or

(4) a [master] MAGISTRATE in chancery.”.