

HOUSE BILL 515

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Introduced and read first time: February 4, 2019

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Municipalities – Municipal Infraction Proceedings – Designation of a Building**
3 **Inspector or an Enforcement Officer to Testify**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing a municipality to designate a certain qualified building
5 inspector or enforcement officer to testify in a municipal infraction proceeding;
6 defining a certain term; and generally relating to municipal infraction proceedings.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Local Government

9 Section 6–108.1

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2013 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Local Government**

15 **6–108.1.**

16 **(A) IN THIS SECTION, “QUALIFIED BUILDING INSPECTOR OR ENFORCEMENT**
17 **OFFICER” MEANS A BUILDING INSPECTOR OR AN ENFORCEMENT OFFICER THAT IS**
18 **NATIONALLY ACCREDITED AND CERTIFIED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL**
19 **OR THE NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION AS:**

20 **(1) A BUILDING INSPECTOR;**

21 **(2) A FIRE INSPECTOR;**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 **(3) AN ACCESSIBILITY INSPECTOR; OR**

2 **(4) A PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND HOUSING INSPECTOR.**

3 **(B) A MUNICIPALITY MAY DESIGNATE A QUALIFIED BUILDING INSPECTOR**
4 **OR ENFORCEMENT OFFICER TO TESTIFY IN A MUNICIPAL INFRACTION PROCEEDING.**

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
6 October 1, 2019.