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

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Special Taxing Districts – Village of Drummond – Authority and Organization**

3 **MC 20–26**

4 FOR the purpose of constituting the Village Council of Drummond as the governing body  
5 of the special taxing district constituted as the Village of Drummond in Montgomery  
6 County; providing for the structure, membership, duties, and obligations of the  
7 Village Council; altering the eligible uses of funds derived from the Village’s annual  
8 special tax levy; providing for the Village’s annual appropriations process; and  
9 generally relating to the authority and organization of the special taxing district  
10 constituted as the Village of Drummond in Montgomery County.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
12 The Public Local Laws of Montgomery County  
13 Section 65–1 through 65–11  
14 Article 16 – Public Local Laws of Maryland  
15 (2014 Edition and October–November 2025 Supplement, as amended)

16 BY adding to  
17 The Public Local Laws of Montgomery County  
18 Section 65–12 and 65–13  
19 Article 16 – Public Local Laws of Maryland  
20 (2014 Edition and October–November 2025 Supplement, as amended)

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

3 **Article 16 – Montgomery County**

4 65–1.

5 (A) For the purposes of this chapter, the Village of Drummond, Montgomery  
6 County, Maryland[, as hereinafter described,] (**THE “VILLAGE”**) shall constitute a special  
7 tax area or district and shall [be deemed and taken to] comprise certain parcels of land,  
8 namely: The subdivision in [said] Montgomery County called “Drummond” as per plat no.  
9 48, recorded in Plat Book No. 1, one (1) of the land records for [said] Montgomery County,  
10 and the adjoining subdivision called “First Addition to Drummond” as per plat no. 89,  
11 recorded in [said] Plat Book No. 1.

12 (B) **THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF DRUMMOND, MONTGOMERY COUNTY,**  
13 **MARYLAND (THE “VILLAGE COUNCIL”) SHALL CONSTITUTE THE GOVERNING BODY**  
14 **OF THE VILLAGE.**

15 65–2.

16 (a) On and after April 25, 1947, the following described area shall no longer be  
17 included within the special taxing area of the Village [of Drummond, Montgomery County,  
18 Maryland]: Lots numbered One, Two, and Three in the Village [of Drummond], located at  
19 the southwest corner of Wisconsin and Hunt Avenues.

20 (b) The owner or owners of the property in [said] **THE** area [shall] **DESCRIBED**  
21 **IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION** MAY not [hereafter] be levied upon for taxes  
22 applicable only to the special taxing area of the [said] Village [of Drummond], nor shall  
23 any indebtedness of [said] **THE** special taxing area, incurred after April 25, 1947, be a lien  
24 upon the area so removed from [said] **THE** special taxing area[; provided, that any].

25 (C) **ANY** future levy for any bond or indebtedness of [said] **THE** special taxing  
26 area, incurred before April 25, 1947, or any extension, refinancing or renewal thereof, shall  
27 include the owners of and be a lien upon the property within [said] **THE** excluded area[;  
28 provided, however, that] **BUT** nothing [herein contained] **IN THIS SECTION** shall be  
29 construed to relieve either the owner or the property in [said] **THE** area **DESCRIBED IN**  
30 **SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION** from the obligation of the tax levy of July 1, 1946.

31 65–3.

32 (A) The [county council for] Montgomery County **COUNCIL (THE “COUNTY**  
33 **COUNCIL”)** is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to levy and cause to be collected  
34 from the property owners at the time of the county tax levy for [the] **EACH FISCAL** year  
35 [commencing July 1, 1916, and ending June 30, 1917, and each succeeding year,] within

1 the [said village known as Drummond, as named and created by this chapter,] **VILLAGE**  
2 fourteen cents (\$0.14) on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of the assessable value of the  
3 real property other than operating real property of a public utility and thirty-five cents  
4 (\$0.35) on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of the assessable value of the personal  
5 property and operating real property of a public utility in [said village] **THE VILLAGE**, to  
6 be collected as all other county taxes in [said] **THE** county are collected[; to be] **AND** paid  
7 over by [said county council] **THE COUNTY COUNCIL** to the [treasurer of the committee  
8 herein authorized to be created, or his successors selected by the majority of the members  
9 as said committee, upon said treasurer having been duly selected by a majority of said  
10 committee, and giving corporate bond to Montgomery County, Maryland, satisfactory to  
11 and approved by the county manager and the county attorney in a penal sum to be fixed by  
12 them, conditioned upon the faithful discharge of the duties of said treasurer; the said county  
13 council] **VILLAGE**.

14 **(B) THE COUNTY COUNCIL** shall [also] order and have paid over to [said  
15 treasurer] **THE VILLAGE** the proportion of the county road tax to be levied and collected  
16 in the same manner as though [said] **THE Village** [of Drummond] was an incorporated  
17 town, and the [said village] **VILLAGE** shall for that purpose[,] be considered by [said  
18 county council] **THE COUNTY COUNCIL** as an incorporated town in [said] **THE** county[;].

19 **(C) THE VILLAGE SHALL USE** all of [said] **THE** funds [to be used directly by or  
20 through said committee,] **UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION** exclusively for  
21 opening, improving, widening, maintaining, repairing and lighting the streets, roads, lanes,  
22 approaches, alleys, sidewalks, parking, drainage, sewerage, sanitation and other village  
23 improvements, **FOR HIRING EMPLOYEES**, and for furnishing police and fire protection,  
24 clerical, **PROFESSIONAL**, and other public service, including the removal **AND DISPOSAL**  
25 of **SNOW, LEAVES**, ashes, garbage and other refuse[, and the disposal thereof], and for the  
26 enforcement of the requirements of all conveyances for properties situated in [said village]  
27 **THE VILLAGE**, [and] for enforcing such building, sanitary and other regulations as [said  
28 committee] **THE VILLAGE COUNCIL** subject to the approval of the [county council]  
29 **COUNTY COUNCIL** may prescribe for [said village] **THE VILLAGE**, or for any part thereof,  
30 **AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL FOR**  
31 **THE OPERATION OF THE VILLAGE AND THE PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION OF**  
32 **THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE.**

33 **(D) (1) THE VILLAGE SHALL OPERATE ON AN ANNUAL BUDGET FOR A**  
34 **FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING EACH JULY 1 AND ENDING AT THE END OF EACH JUNE 30**  
35 **OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR.**

36 **(2) BEFORE ADOPTING AN ANNUAL BUDGET, THE VILLAGE COUNCIL**  
37 **SHALL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING.**

38 **(3) THE VILLAGE COUNCIL SHALL PROVIDE THE PUBLIC NOTICE OF**  
39 **AN ANNUAL BUDGET HEARING AT LEAST 10 DAYS BEFORE THE HEARING, INCLUDING**

1 BY PROVIDING A COPY OF THE PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET OR A SUMMARY OF THE  
2 PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET.

3 (4) THE ANNUAL BUDGET SHALL CONSIST OF A FINANCIAL PLAN FOR  
4 THE FISCAL YEAR AND SHALL CONTAIN ESTIMATES OF ANTICIPATED REVENUES AND  
5 PROPOSED EXPENDITURES.

6 (5) PUBLIC FUNDS MAY NOT BE EXPENDED WITHOUT FIRST HAVING  
7 BEEN APPROPRIATED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL.

8 (6) THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MAY AMEND THE BUDGET AND  
9 APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM A RESERVE PROVIDED IN THE BUDGET FROM TIME TO  
10 TIME DURING THE FISCAL YEAR TO MEET EXTRAORDINARY OR UNANTICIPATED  
11 EXPENDITURES THAT MAY ARISE.

12 (7) THE VILLAGE COUNCIL SHALL HIRE OR EMPLOY A CERTIFIED  
13 PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT TO AUDIT THE VILLAGE'S FINANCES.

14 65-4.

15 (A) If in any year the majority of the [said Drummond Citizens' Committee]  
16 VILLAGE COUNCIL shall decide the sum hereinbefore authorized to be taxed and levied  
17 is in excess of the amount required for the ensuing year, then [and in that event,] the [said  
18 committee] VILLAGE COUNCIL may, on or before April 15 of any year, notify in writing  
19 the [county council of Montgomery County] COUNTY COUNCIL to make a reduction in the  
20 [said] levy of fourteen cents (\$0.14) on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessable  
21 value of real property other than operating real property of a public utility and thirty-five  
22 cents (\$0.35) on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessable value of personal property  
23 and operating real property of a public utility, [as hereinbefore provided for,] WITH the  
24 amount of [said] THE reduction to be determined by the [said committee] VILLAGE  
25 COUNCIL and specified in the [said] notification to the [county council; and upon]  
26 COUNTY COUNCIL.

27 (B) ON receipt of [such] A notification UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS  
28 SECTION, the [board of county council of Montgomery County] COUNTY COUNCIL is  
29 authorized, empowered and directed to make a levy less than the [said] fourteen cents  
30 (\$0.14) or thirty-five cents (\$0.35) in the amount determined and specified by the [said  
31 committee] VILLAGE COUNCIL.

32 65-5.

33 (A) On the first Monday [in] OF EACH May [in the year 1917 and on the same  
34 day in each year thereafter], an election shall be held in the [said] Village [of Drummond]  
35 for the election of three (3) [committeemen] MEMBERS OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL, each

1 of whom shall have been a resident of [said] **THE Village** [of Drummond] for **AT LEAST** six  
2 (6) months [previous to said] **BEFORE THE** election, [and over the age of twenty-one (21)  
3 years, the three (3) said committeemen to be and] **AND BE AT LEAST 21 YEARS OLD.**

4 **(B) THE INDIVIDUALS ELECTED SHALL** constitute the [Drummond Citizens'  
5 Committee] **VILLAGE COUNCIL** for the ensuing year, each of whom shall qualify within  
6 twenty (20) days after [said] **THE** election by taking the oath prescribed by the Constitution  
7 of [Maryland] **THE STATE**, before an officer of the law duly commissioned to administer  
8 [same] **THE OATH.**

9 **(C) (1)** The annual election of [said committeemen as herein provided] **THE**  
10 **MEMBERS OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL** shall be held [under and] in accordance with the  
11 laws of the State [of Maryland], but the returns [thereof] **OF THE ELECTION** shall be made  
12 to the [county council of Montgomery County; all] **COUNTY COUNCIL.**

13 **(2) ALL** residents of [said] **THE Village** [of Drummond for six (6) months  
14 previous to said election, and over the age of twenty-one (21) years,] **WHO ARE AT LEAST**  
15 **18 YEARS OLD** shall be eligible to vote at [such elections; said elections] **THE ELECTION.**

16 **(3) THE ELECTION** shall be conducted by **UP TO** three (3) judges of election  
17 [and two (2) clerks, to be] appointed by [said committee, who shall serve without pay; and  
18 the polls of said election shall be open from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on the first Monday in  
19 May as hereinbefore provided] **THE VILLAGE COUNCIL.**

20 **(D) (1) THE MEMBERS OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL SHALL SERVE**  
21 **WITHOUT PAY.**

22 **(2) A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL SHALL**  
23 **CONSTITUTE A QUORUM FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS.**

24 **(3) THE VILLAGE COUNCIL SHALL DETERMINE THE VILLAGE**  
25 **COUNCIL'S RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS.**

26 **(4) THE VILLAGE COUNCIL SHALL MEET AT LEAST 11 TIMES EACH**  
27 **YEAR ON DATES DETERMINED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL, EXCEPT THAT THE MAYOR**  
28 **AND THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MAY CALL SPECIAL MEETINGS OF THE VILLAGE**  
29 **COUNCIL.**

30 **(5) ALL MEETINGS OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL, REGULAR AND**  
31 **SPECIAL, SHALL BE PUBLIC MEETINGS DURING WHICH MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**  
32 **SHALL HAVE A REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD, EXCEPT THAT THE**  
33 **VILLAGE COUNCIL MAY HOLD CLOSED SESSIONS, WORK SESSIONS AT WHICH PUBLIC**  
34 **COMMENT MAY BE PROHIBITED, AND SPECIAL PURPOSE MEETINGS AT WHICH ALL**  
35 **PUBLIC COMMENT MAY BE LIMITED TO THE SUBJECT OF THE MEETING.**

1           **(6) THE VILLAGE COUNCIL SHALL KEEP A RECORD OF MEETING**  
2 **MINUTES AND MAKE THE RECORD AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION.**

3           **(E) ANY MEMBER OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MAY BE REMOVED BY THE**  
4 **COUNTY COUNCIL UPON THE CHARGE OF MALFEASANCE OR MISFEASANCE IN**  
5 **OFFICE, PROFFERED BY A MEMBER OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL, AFTER DUE NOTICE**  
6 **OF THE CHARGE AND OPPORTUNITY TO DEFEND AGAINST THE CHARGE AT A**  
7 **HEARING.**

8 65-6.

9           **(a) (1) [Said Drummond Citizens' Committee] THE VILLAGE COUNCIL** is  
10 empowered to **ESTABLISH, OPERATE, MAINTAIN, AND CONTROL ALL PUBLIC WAYS IN**  
11 **THE VILLAGE EXCEPT THE PUBLIC WAYS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE,**  
12 **INCLUDING BY REQUIRING THE OWNERS OF PROPERTY ABUTTING A STREET, ROAD,**  
13 **OR LANE TO REMOVE ICE, SNOW, DIRT, DEBRIS, OR OTHER OBSTRUCTIONS AS WELL**  
14 **AS ANY OTHER ACTION NECESSARY FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH OR SAFETY,**  
15 **CONSTRUCT A NEW STREET, ROAD, OR LANE,** grade, pave, macadamize or otherwise  
16 improve any existing street, road or lane, or any street, road or lane which has been or may  
17 be acquired and opened for public use, and to lay sidewalks [and], curbs, **AND GUTTERS**  
18 thereon[; provided, that said Drummond Citizens' Committee].

19           **(2) THE VILLAGE COUNCIL,** subject to the approval of the [county  
20 council] **COUNTY COUNCIL** and after petition of residents and hearing, as hereinafter  
21 provided, shall have power to assess the cost, or any part of the cost, of [said] **THE**  
22 **CONSTRUCTING,** grading, paving, macadamizing or improving against the property  
23 abutting on [said] A street, road or lane, or sidewalk, in proportion to the frontage of [said]  
24 **THE** abutting property on the [same; provided, further, that upon] **STREET, ROAD OR**  
25 **LANE, OR SIDEWALK.**

26           **(3) ON** the petition in writing of two-thirds of the residents owning  
27 property abutting upon any street, road or lane to be **CONSTRUCTED,** graded, paved,  
28 macadamized or otherwise to be improved under the provisions of this section requesting  
29 the **CONSTRUCTING,** grading, paving, macadamizing or otherwise improving of [such]  
30 **THE** streets, roads or lanes, it shall be the duty of the [Drummond Citizens' Committee]  
31 **VILLAGE COUNCIL** to make the [said] assessment against the abutting property to  
32 provide the funds for and cause to be performed the necessary work or construction to be  
33 done in accordance with the provisions herein provided[; and provided, further, that  
34 before].

35           **(4) BEFORE** any contract for work shall be entered into, or any obligation  
36 with respect [thereto] **TO THE CONTRACT** incurred, notice shall be given to the owners

1 and others of record interested in [said] **THE** abutting property of a hearing at which they  
2 will be given an opportunity to be heard[, such].

3           **(5)** **THE** hearing [to be had] **SHALL BE** before [said Drummond Citizens'  
4 Committee] **THE VILLAGE COUNCIL**, which shall decide the matters properly brought  
5 before it[; and any].

6           **(6)** **ANY** party affected by the final decision of [said Drummond Citizens'  
7 Committee] **THE VILLAGE COUNCIL** made after [such] **THE** hearing shall have the right  
8 to appeal [therefrom] **THE DECISION** within ten (10) days to the [circuit court of]  
9 Montgomery County **CIRCUIT COURT**.

10           (b) **(1)** Any tax so assessed, as above provided in this section, shall be payable  
11 to [the county treasurer] **MONTGOMERY COUNTY** in from four (4) to ten (10) semiannual  
12 installments, as nearly equal as may be, the first installment thereof to become due and  
13 payable within six (6) months after the levy of [said] **THE** special tax as above provided,  
14 and each of the other [said] installments within six (6) months after the preceding one (1)  
15 shall have become due[; each].

16           **(2)** **EACH** installment of [said] **THE** tax shall become a lien against [said]  
17 **THE** abutting property and shall bear interest from the date of levy thereof at the rate of  
18 six (6) per centum per annum until paid[;] or [said] **THE** tax may be paid in full without  
19 interest during the first installment period[, and if].

20           **(3)** **IF** any of [said] **THE** installments [thereof be] **OF THE TAX ARE** not  
21 paid within thirty (30) days after [same] **THE INSTALLMENT** shall have become due, the  
22 entire amount of [said] **THE** tax assessed to the person [or persons] or corporation in  
23 default, with interest, shall [thereupon] **THEN** become due and payable, and may be  
24 collected in the same manner provided in the act for the collection of unpaid taxes. [And  
25 the said Drummond Citizens' Committee]

26           **(4)** **THE VILLAGE COUNCIL** shall have the power to prescribe the number  
27 of semiannual installments in which the tax [so assessed, as above provided,] shall be  
28 payable.

29           (c) All money so received by [said county treasurer] **THE COUNTY** shall, [upon]  
30 **ON** order of [said county council] **THE COUNTY COUNCIL**, be paid over to the treasurer of  
31 [said] **THE** Village [of Drummond, and the said Drummond Citizens' Committee shall  
32 become charged with the duty of paving, grading, macadamizing or otherwise improving  
33 said streets, roads, lanes or sidewalks within said village].

34           (d) **(1)** For the purpose of making the improvements provided for in this  
35 section, the [said Drummond Citizens' Committee] **VILLAGE COUNCIL** is [hereby]  
36 authorized and empowered to borrow money and otherwise contract indebtedness and

1 obligate [said] **THE Village [of Drummond]** in an amount not exceeding at any time the  
2 sum of four (4) per centum of the assessed valuation of the real property other than  
3 operating real property of a public utility and ten (10) per centum of the assessed valuation  
4 of the operating real property of a public utility within [said village] **THE VILLAGE**, and  
5 for this purpose [said] **THE Village [of Drummond]** shall be and hereby is constituted a  
6 corporation[, and the said Drummond Citizens' Committee].

7           **(2) THE VILLAGE COUNCIL** is empowered to act for [said] **THE**  
8 corporation[; provided, that should].

9           **(3) IF** there [be] **IS A** default on bonds or other indebtedness incurred by  
10 the [said citizens' committee of the said Village of Drummond for the said village] **VILLAGE**  
11 **COUNCIL**, it shall be the duty of the [county council of Montgomery County] **COUNTY**  
12 **COUNCIL** to levy or have levied special general taxes against the real property of [said]  
13 **THE Village [of Drummond]** to the extent only that [such] **THE** default bonds or incurred  
14 indebtedness shall be liquidated.

15 65-7.

16           [Any member of the Drummond Citizens' Committee may be removed by the county  
17 council upon the charge of malfeasance or misfeasance in office, preferred by a member of  
18 said committee, after due notice of said charge and opportunity has been given in defense  
19 thereof, and a hearing to be fixed therefor.]

20           **(A) THE VILLAGE COUNCIL SHALL APPOINT:**

21           **(1) A MAYOR, WHO SHALL PRESIDE OVER MEETINGS OF THE VILLAGE**  
22 **COUNCIL AND SERVE AS THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE VILLAGE;**

23           **(2) A TREASURER, WHO SHALL ASSIST IN THE PREPARATION OF THE**  
24 **ANNUAL BUDGET AND SUPERVISE THE DISBURSEMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS;**

25           **(3) A SECRETARY, WHO SHALL ASSIST IN THE KEEPING OF RECORDS**  
26 **OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL; AND**

27           **(4) OTHER OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, WHO SHALL HOLD TERMS AND**  
28 **WHO SHALL HAVE DUTIES ESTABLISHED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL.**

29           **(B)** The [said treasurer and other] officers **AND EMPLOYEES** of [said] **THE**  
30 Village [of Drummond] shall hold their offices or positions at the pleasure of [said]  
31 Drummond Citizens' Committee or in conformity with contracts which may be made by and  
32 between said committee and such officers and employees, for a period not to extend beyond  
33 the limits of the terms of office of said committee] **THE VILLAGE COUNCIL.**

1           **(C) (1) THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE SHALL GIVE**  
2 **BOND TO THE VILLAGE IN AN AMOUNT AND WITH SURETY DETERMINED BY THE**  
3 **VILLAGE COUNCIL.**

4           **(2) THE PREMIUMS OF FIDELITY BONDS OWED BY OFFICERS AND**  
5 **EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE SHALL BE PAID BY THE VILLAGE.**

6 65–8.

7           **(A) [Said Drummond Citizens' Committee shall] THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MAY**  
8 **not expend for material or work [in connection with anyone undertaking] a sum exceeding**  
9 **[three hundred dollars (\$300.00)] FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000), OR THE**  
10 **AMOUNT FOR WHICH PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF PROCUREMENT IS REQUIRED BY**  
11 **STATE LAW, WHICHEVER IS GREATER, without having first advertised the specifications**  
12 **[therefor] and inviting bids [for the same], after which [said committee] THE VILLAGE**  
13 **COUNCIL may purchase [such] THE material or make contract for [such] THE work, or**  
14 **have [such] THE work done by employing labor, or otherwise, as it may deem best.**

15           **(B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION TO THE CONTRARY, THE**  
16 **VILLAGE COUNCIL MAY CONTRACT FOR MATERIAL OR WORK WITHOUT FIRST**  
17 **HAVING INVITED BIDS IF:**

18           **(1) THE CONTRACT AWARD SERVES A PUBLIC PURPOSE AND THERE IS**  
19 **ONLY ONE SOURCE FOR THE REQUIRED MATERIAL TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE**  
20 **VILLAGE;**

21           **(2) THE CONTRACT IS IN CONNECTION WITH POTENTIAL OR PENDING**  
22 **LITIGATION, CONDEMNATION, OR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING;**

23           **(3) A PROPOSED CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR HAS BEEN**  
24 **SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED IN A GRANT ACCEPTED BY THE VILLAGE;**

25           **(4) A PROPOSED CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR HAS BEEN**  
26 **SELECTED THROUGH A COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCESS UNDERTAKEN BY A STATE,**  
27 **COUNTY, OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, OR COOPERATIVELY WITH THE VILLAGE,**  
28 **AND SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TERMS ARE OFFERED TO THE VILLAGE;**

29           **(5) THE SERVICES ARE PROFESSIONAL IN NATURE, INCLUDING**  
30 **ACCOUNTING, ARCHITECTURE, AUDITING, ENGINEERING, LEGAL, OR SURVEYING**  
31 **SERVICES; OR**

32           **(6) THERE EXISTS A THREAT TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR**  
33 **WELFARE OR WHERE DELAY WOULD SERIOUSLY INJURE THE VILLAGE FINANCIALLY**  
34 **OR OTHERWISE.**

1 65-9.

2 The [said county council] **COUNTY COUNCIL** may, [upon] **ON** recommendation of  
3 the [Drummond Citizens' Committee] **VILLAGE COUNCIL**, adopt [such] regulations with  
4 respect to dumping of garbage, sanitation, erection of buildings, care of property, **USE OF**  
5 **PUBLIC WAYS, PARKING ON PUBLIC WAYS**, or other police or health regulations, and  
6 provide penalties for the violation [thereof] **OF THE REGULATIONS** as [said board] **THE**  
7 **COUNTY COUNCIL** may deem proper, which regulations may be enforced by or through  
8 [said committee] **THE VILLAGE COUNCIL**.

9 65-10.

10 [Said] **THE** members of [said Drummond Citizens' Committee] **THE VILLAGE**  
11 **COUNCIL**, for the purpose of making contracts or otherwise incurring liabilities in the  
12 performance of the duties provided by this subtitle shall be considered in law as a  
13 corporation, and are not to be held individually or personally liable in connection  
14 [therewith] **THOSE DUTIES**.

15 65-11.

16 (A) The treasurer of [said Drummond Citizens' Committee] **THE VILLAGE**  
17 **COUNCIL** shall deposit all funds [coming into his hands, as such,] in A depository [or  
18 depositories] as may be designated by the majority vote of the [said committee] **VILLAGE**  
19 **COUNCIL**, duly recorded in the minutes [thereof, to his credit, as such treasurer, and that  
20 said treasurer shall not dispose of any of the funds coming into his hands, as such treasurer,  
21 except upon check, duly signed by him, as such treasurer, and countersigned by the  
22 chairman of said committee, or some member thereof acting as chairman; said acting  
23 chairman shall be duly authorized to act by resolution of said committee which must be  
24 first placed upon the minutes of the committee] **OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL**.

25 (B) **ALL CHECKS ISSUED FROM THE VILLAGE SHALL BE SIGNED BY THE**  
26 **TREASURER**.

27 (C) **THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MAY AUTHORIZE PAYMENTS TO BE MADE BY**  
28 **METHODS OTHER THAN CHECK IF REASONABLE SAFETY MEASURES ARE**  
29 **INSTITUTED**.

30 65-12.

31 (A) **THE ENUMERATION OF PARTICULAR POWERS IN THIS CHAPTER MAY**  
32 **NOT BE HELD OR DEEMED TO BE EXCLUSIVE**.

1           **(B) THE VILLAGE SHALL HAVE OTHER POWERS AS ARE INCIDENT TO THE**  
2 **POWERS SPECIFICALLY ENUMERATED, AS ARE A NECESSARY CONSEQUENCE OF THE**  
3 **POWERS SPECIFICALLY ENUMERATED, OR AS ARE A NECESSARY CONSEQUENCE OF**  
4 **THE POWERS HEREIN CONFERRED.**

5           **(C) IN ADDITION TO THE POWERS ENUMERATED IN THIS CHAPTER, THE**  
6 **VILLAGE SHALL HAVE ALL POWERS, RIGHTS, AND PRIVILEGES NOW OR HEREAFTER**  
7 **GRANTED BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE.**

8 **65-13.**

9           **IF ANY SECTION OR PART OF A SECTION OF THIS CHAPTER IS HELD INVALID**  
10 **BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION, THE HOLDING MAY NOT AFFECT THE**  
11 **REMAINDER OF THIS CHAPTER NOR THE CONTEXT IN WHICH THE SECTION OR PART**  
12 **OF THE SECTION HELD INVALID APPEARS, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT THAT AN ENTIRE**  
13 **SECTION OR PART OF A SECTION MAY BE INSEPARABLY CONNECTED IN MEANING**  
14 **AND EFFECT WITH THE SECTION OR PART OF THE SECTION TO WHICH THE HOLDING**  
15 **DIRECTLY APPLIES.**

16           **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect**  
17 **October 1, 2026.**

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.