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## COUNTY COUNCIL OF WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND LEGISLATIVE SESSION, 2023 LEGISLATIVE BILL 2023-10

Introduced: July 5, 2023

By: The Council President at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 225 OF THE WICOMICO COUNTY CODE, TITLED "ZONING," SECTION 225-12, ENTITLED "LOTS DIVIDED BY ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARY LINES" TO ALLOW USES IN A ZONING DISTRICT THAT COVERS THE MAJORITY OF THE LAND AREA OF A PARCEL TO EXTEND OVER THE ENTIRE PARCEL.

WHEREAS, the County Council of Wicomico County is empowered to regulate and restrict the use of land and buildings, the density of population, and the location and use of buildings, structures and land for residential or other purposes and to adopt from time to time such other regulations and maps as may be required; and

WHEREAS, all such zoning regulations may be enacted for the purpose of: preserving and promoting health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of Wicomico County; guiding the future growth and development of the County generally in accordance with the overall Comprehensive Plan or special area plans in a manner which represents the most beneficial land use relationships among the residential, nonresidential, and public areas; and, providing for the orderly growth and development of the County in a manner which will protect, conserve, and stabilize the value of land, structure, and neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission, after a public hearing, recommended the amendment of Chapter 225 titled "Zoning," Section 225-12, entitled "Lots Divided By Zoning District Boundary Lines" to allow uses in a zoning district that covers the majority of the land area of a parcel to extend over the entire parcel; and

WHEREAS, the County Council, after reviewing the record and receiving testimony determined the aforesaid amendment was appropriate.

SECTION I: BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND, IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION, that Chapter 225, Section 225-12, entitled "Lots Divided By Zoning District Boundary Lines", be and is amended as follows:

Amend Section 225-12, Lots Divided By Zoning District Boundary Lines.

- A. Whenever a single lot two (2) acres or less in size is located within two or more different zones, the zoning regulations applicable to the zone which constitutes the larger portion of the lot shall apply to the entire lot. AS DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, ZONING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MAY APPLY TO THE ENTIRE LOT.
- B. Whenever a single lot greater than two acres in size is located within two or more different zones, each portion of that lot shall be subject to all the regulations applicable to the zone in which it is located.

SECTION II: BE IT ENACTED that this Legislative Bill shall be known 2023 10 of Wicomico County, Maryland, and shall take effect sixty (60) days after its final passage, unless a proper Petition for

Referendum thereof shall be filed prior to said date; in which event, the Bill shall not take effect until the expiration of thirty (30) days following the approval of this Bill by a majority of the qualified voters of the County voting in any such referendum.

Certified correct as passed and adopted by the County Council of Wicomico County, Maryland this 1st day of August, 2023.

WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND

(SEAL)

John T. Cannon, President

By: Laura Hurley, Secretary (SEAL)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of the above Bill are available to the public, the press and other news media at the time of its introduction.

Explanation:

Strike Out indicates matters deleted from existing law.

CAPITALS INDICATE MATTERS ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

CAPITAL STRIKE OUT indicates matter stricken from Bill by Amendment.

Underlining indicates Amendments to Bill

## **COUNTY COUNCIL** WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND

2023 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 13

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL NO. 2023-10**

INTRODUCED BY: The Council President at the request of the	e County Executive
<b>Legislative Bill No. 2023-10</b> : AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 2. SECTION 225-12, ENTITLED "LOTS DIVIDED BY ZONING DISTRICT THAT COVERS THE MAJORITY OF THE LAND AREA OF	TRICT BOUNDARY LINES" TO ALLOW USES IN A ZONING
Introduced and read first time on July 5, 2023. Ordered poste 6:00 p.m.	d and public hearing scheduled for August 1, 2023 at  Laura Hurley, Council Administrator
<u>PUBLIC HEARING:</u> Having been posted and notice of time an according to the Charter, the Bill was read for a second time a	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
<u>CERTIFICATION:</u> The undersigned hereby certifies that this Bi Wicomico County, Maryland, on the 1st day of August, 2023.	Il was Approved and Adopted by the County Council of  Laura Hurley, Council Administrator
Presented to the County Executive for approval this 2 <sup>nd</sup> day o	f August at 9:40 a.m./p.m. (5 days §411)  Laura Hurley, Council Administrator
County Executive	APPROVED 8 2 23 Date:
Option One: This Bill, having been approved by the County E on August 2, 2023 and effect (60 days §311)	executive and returned to the Council, becomes law cive on: October 2, 2023
Option Two: This Bill, having received neither the approval n 21 days of its presentation, stands enacted on (60 days §311)	
Option Three: This Bill, being exempt from the Executive Vete becomes effective on (Charter Sec	
ENROLLMENT: Legislative Bill No. 2023-10 is herewith submerrollment as being the text as finally passed.	nitted to the County Council of Wicomico County for

Laura Hurley, Council Administrator