

Chapter 234

(Senate Bill 924)

AN ACT concerning

~~Public Health~~ Local Government – Splash Pads – Regulations

FOR the purpose of defining the term “splash pad”; authorizing the ~~Secretary of Health~~ governing body of a county to adopt rules and regulations to govern the sanitary condition of splash pads and any sanitary feature connected to a splash pad; and generally relating to the regulation of splash pads.

BY adding to

Article – ~~Health – General~~ Local Government
Section ~~20-303.1~~ 13-411
Annotated Code of Maryland
(~~2015 Replacement~~ (2013 Volume and 2017 Supplement))

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

Article – ~~Health – General~~ Local Government

~~20-303.1~~ 13-411.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, “SPLASH PAD” MEANS AN OUTDOOR PLAY AREA:

(1) ~~WITH~~ WITH SPRINKLERS, FOUNTAINS, NOZZLES, ~~AND~~ OR OTHER DEVICES OR STRUCTURES THAT SPRAY WATER;

(2) ~~IN~~ IN WHICH WATER IS NOT ALLOWED TO ACCUMULATE; AND

(3) ~~THAT~~ THAT IS NOT USED FOR SUBMERSION OF THE HUMAN BODY.

(B) ~~THE SECRETARY~~ THE GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY MAY ADOPT AND ENFORCE RULES AND REGULATIONS TO GOVERN THE SANITARY CONDITION OF SPLASH PADS AND ANY SANITARY FEATURE CONNECTED TO A SPLASH PAD.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2018.

Approved by the Governor, April 24, 2018.