

SENATE BILL 924

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By: **Senator Ferguson**

Introduced and read first time: February 5, 2018

Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Health – Splash Pads – Regulations**

3 FOR the purpose of defining the term “splash pad”; authorizing the Secretary of Health to
4 adopt rules and regulations to govern the sanitary condition of splash pads and any
5 sanitary feature connected to a splash pad; and generally relating to the regulation
6 of splash pads.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Health – General

9 Section 20–303.1

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Health – General**

15 **20–303.1.**

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

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

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

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

21 **(B) THE SECRETARY MAY ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS TO GOVERN**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 THE SANITARY CONDITION OF SPLASH PADS AND ANY SANITARY FEATURE
2 CONNECTED TO A SPLASH PAD.

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