

HOUSE BILL 326

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By: **Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George's County Delegation**

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Office of the Inspector General –**
3 **Technical Changes**

4 **MC/PG 104-19**

5 FOR the purpose of correcting certain references to the Office of the Inspector General in
6 statutes of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission; providing that certain
7 rights granted to certain Commission merit system employees are not provided to
8 employees in the Office; providing that the Office shall review and approve certain
9 costs for certain facilities designed and constructed by certain developers; correcting
10 erroneous references to the executive director of the Commission in certain
11 provisions of law regarding certain notification and action related to the failure of
12 certain employees and officials to provide certain information or documentation to
13 the Inspector General; and generally relating to the Office of the Inspector General
14 in the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
16 Article – Public Utilities
17 Section 17-608(a), 18-201(a)(2), and 25-405(d)
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

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 **Article – Public Utilities**

2 17–608.

3 (a) (1) On request from the inspector general, a Commission employee or
 4 official shall promptly provide to the inspector general any available document or other
 5 information concerning Commission operations, budget, programs, or vendor contracts.

6 (2) (i) The inspector general shall notify the Commission chair, vice
 7 chair, and [executive director] GENERAL MANAGER if any Commission employee or official
 8 fails to provide any information or document requested under this subsection with
 9 reasonable promptness.

10 (ii) The Commission chair, vice chair, or [executive director]
 11 GENERAL MANAGER shall take administrative action to produce compliance with a
 12 pending request for information by the inspector general as warranted and appropriate.

13 18–201.

14 (a) (2) The rights granted to Commission merit system employees under this
 15 subtitle do not apply to:

16 (i) attorneys in the Office of the General Counsel;

17 (ii) confidential employees;

18 (iii) probationary employees;

19 (iv) employees in the Office of the General Manager;

20 (v) employees in the [Internal Audit] Office **OF THE INSPECTOR**
 21 **GENERAL;**

22 (vi) employees in the Office of the Secretary; or

23 (vii) supervisors, as defined in § 2(11) of the National Labor Relations
 24 Act, 29 U.S.C. § 152(11).

25 25–405.

26 (d) The [Commission’s internal auditor] **OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR**
 27 **GENERAL** shall review and approve the costs incurred by the developer.

28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
 29 1, 2019.