

HOUSE BILL 1052

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By: **Delegates Holmes and Stein**

Introduced and read first time: February 10, 2022

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – Gas Piping Systems – Construction Requirements**
3 **(Flynn and Laird Act)**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring certain materials to be used in the construction of gas piping
5 systems in residential and commercial buildings; and generally relating to gas piping
6 systems.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Public Safety

9 Section 12–206

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Public Safety**

15 **12–206.**

16 **(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS**
17 **INDICATED.**

18 **(2) “BLACK IRON PIPE” MEANS PIPE THAT IS MADE OF**
19 **NONGALVANIZED STEEL WITH A DARK IRON–OXIDE COATING ON THE SURFACE.**

20 **(3) “CSST” MEANS ARC–RESISTANT JACKETED CORRUGATED**
21 **STAINLESS STEEL TUBING.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(B) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS**
2 **THAT USE GAS PIPING SYSTEMS.**

3 **(C) ONLY BLACK IRON PIPE OR CSST MAY BE USED IN THE NEW**
4 **CONSTRUCTION OF A GAS PIPING SYSTEM IN A RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL**
5 **BUILDING.**

6 **(D) IF A GAS APPLIANCE WITHIN A RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL**
7 **BUILDING IS REPLACED, THE GAS LINE TO THE APPLIANCE MAY BE REPLACED ONLY**
8 **WITH BLACK IRON PIPE OR CSST.**

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to
10 apply only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or
11 application to any new construction for which a building permit is issued before the effective
12 date of this Act.

13 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
14 October 1, 2022.