

HOUSE BILL 131

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(PRE-FILED)

By: ~~Delegate Stewart~~ **Delegates Stewart, Allen, Foley, and Lehman**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Housing Development Permit Applications – Local Reporting Requirements**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain local jurisdictions to report certain information about
4 ~~housing~~ certain building and development permit applications to the Department of
5 Housing and Community Development and the Department of Planning on or before
6 a certain date each year; requiring a local jurisdiction to make a copy of the report
7 publicly available on its website; and generally relating to housing development
8 permit applications.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Land Use

11 Section 7–105

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2012 Volume and 2023 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

15 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article – Land Use**

17 **7–105.**

18 (A) **THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO A LOCAL JURISDICTION WITH AT LEAST**

19 ~~250,000~~ **150,000 RESIDENTS.**

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 (B) ON OR BEFORE ~~FEBRUARY~~ JULY 1 EACH YEAR, EACH LOCAL
 2 JURISDICTION SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION SHALL REPORT
 3 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND THE
 4 DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR EACH ~~TYPE OF~~
 5 ~~PROJECT PERMIT APPLICATION FOR BUILDING OR DEVELOPMENT PERMIT~~
 6 APPLICATION WHICH INCLUDES A RESIDENTIAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS
 7 COMPONENT AS PART OF THE DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERED BY THE LOCAL
 8 JURISDICTION DURING THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR:

9 (1) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY
 10 TYPE;

11 (2) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETE APPLICATIONS ~~APPROVED~~
 12 ISSUED BY TYPE;

13 (3) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETE APPLICATIONS REJECTED BY
 14 TYPE;

15 (4) THE NET TOTAL NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS APPROVED;

16 (5) THE MEAN AND MEDIAN PROCESSING TIMES FOR PERMIT
 17 APPLICATIONS AND THE STANDARD DEVIATION FROM THE MEAN;

18 (6) THE AMOUNT OF TIME SPENT PROCESSING APPLICATIONS,
 19 INCLUDING THE TIME SPENT BY AGENCIES REVIEWING APPLICATIONS, BY
 20 APPLICANTS MAKING EDITS, AND ANY PUBLIC NOTICE OR COMMENT TIME PERIODS;

21 ~~(6)~~ (7) ANY TYPE OF EXPEDITED PERMIT APPLICATION PROCESS
 22 THAT THE LOCAL JURISDICTION EMPLOYED TO ACCELERATE RESIDENTIAL
 23 HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS; ~~AND~~

24 ~~(7)~~ (8) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL HOUSING
 25 DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT BENEFITED FROM AN EXPEDITED PERMIT
 26 APPLICATION PROCESS IN THE LOCAL JURISDICTION AND WHICH TYPE OF
 27 EXPEDITED PROCESS WAS USED; AND

28 (9) ANY OTHER INFORMATION THE JURISDICTION CONSIDERS
 29 RELEVANT.

30 (C) (1) (I) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A LOCAL
 31 JURISDICTION SHALL MAKE THE REPORT REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION
 32 PUBLICLY AVAILABLE ON ITS WEBSITE.

1 (II) AN ANNOUNCEMENT POSTED TO A LOCAL JURISDICTION’S
2 WEBSITE STATING THAT A PERSON SHOULD CONTACT THE RELEVANT LOCAL
3 DEPARTMENT FOR ACCESS TO THE REPORT DOES NOT FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS
4 OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

5 (2) A LOCAL JURISDICTION THAT DOES NOT MAINTAIN A WEBSITE
6 SHALL MAKE THE REPORT PUBLICLY AVAILABLE THROUGH ANY OTHER
7 REASONABLE METHOD.

8 (3) TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, A LOCAL JURISDICTION MAY
9 SUBMIT AND TRANSMIT THE REPORT REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION AS PART OF
10 ANOTHER REPORT REQUIRED TO BE FILED UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
12 October 1, 2024.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.