

HOUSE BILL 415

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By: **Delegate Holmes**

Introduced and read first time: February 4, 2011

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Environment – Severn River Watershed – Silt and Erosion Control –**
3 **Certification**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing professional land surveyors and licensed landscape
5 architects to certify silt and erosion control plans in the Severn River
6 Watershed; and generally relating to certification of silt and erosion control
7 plans in the Severn River Watershed.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – Environment
10 Section 4–308
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Environment**

16 4–308.

17 (a) Anne Arundel County or the City of Annapolis may issue a grading or
18 building permit within the Severn River Watershed only after the developer submits a
19 plan of development approved by the soil conservation district. If the development
20 plan contains any septic or private sewer facility, the Department of the Environment
21 shall approve it only if the facility will not contribute in any way to pollution of the
22 Severn River. The developer shall submit a certificate from a professional engineer, A
23 **PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR, OR A LICENSED LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT**
24 stating that the developer's plan to control silt and erosion is adequate to contain the
25 silt and erosion on the property covered by the plan. Also, the developer shall submit
26 another certificate stating that any construction or development will be done according

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 to the plan. A subdivision developer shall obtain approval of the plan at the time of
2 approving and recording of the subdivision plat. In addition to any other penalty
3 provided in this subtitle, if a developer violates his certificate, then every permit
4 issued pursuant to the certificate is void.

5 (b) A State, county, or municipal road, building, or structure may not be
6 constructed, relocated, or enlarged within the Severn River Watershed until plans
7 have been submitted to and approved by the soil conservation district.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 October 1, 2011.