

# SENATE BILL 553

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By: **Senator Rosapepe**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland–Washington Metropolitan District and Regional District –**  
3 **Boundaries – City of Laurel**

4 FOR the purpose of altering a certain provision of law to provide that the boundaries  
5 of the Maryland–Washington Metropolitan District do not include certain  
6 property annexed by the City of Laurel during a certain time period; altering a  
7 certain provision of law to provide that the boundaries of the  
8 Maryland–Washington Regional District include all of Prince George’s County  
9 except the City of Laurel as its boundaries are defined as of a certain date and  
10 certain property annexed by the City of Laurel during a certain time period;  
11 providing for the effective date of certain provisions of this Act; providing for the  
12 termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the  
13 boundaries of the Maryland–Washington Metropolitan District and the  
14 Maryland–Washington Regional District.

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
16 Article 28 – Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission  
17 Section 3–102(b) and 7–103  
18 Annotated Code of Maryland  
19 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

20 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
21 Article – Land Use  
22 Section 19–102  
23 Annotated Code of Maryland

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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 (As enacted by Ch. \_\_\_\_\_ (H.B. 1290) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012)

2 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

3 Article – Land Use

4 Section 20–101

5 Annotated Code of Maryland

6 (As enacted by Ch. \_\_\_\_\_ (H.B. 1290) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012)

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

8 Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ (H.B. 1290) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012)

9 Section 11 1(b)(3)

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

12 **Article 28 – Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission**

13 3–102.

14 (b) (1) The metropolitan district shall include all of Prince George’s  
15 County except for those areas excluded under this subsection.

16 (2) The metropolitan district does not include the following municipal  
17 corporations, as the municipal corporations’ boundaries were defined as of July 1,  
18 1995:

19 (i) District Heights; and

20 (ii) Greenbelt.

21 (3) The metropolitan district does not include the City of Laurel as its  
22 municipal corporate boundaries existed on July 1, 1997, **AND ANY**  
23 **SINGLE-FAMILY REAL PROPERTY ANNEXED BY THE CITY OF LAUREL FROM**  
24 **JULY 2, 1997, TO JULY 1, 2012, BOTH INCLUSIVE.**

25 (4) The metropolitan district does not include the following election  
26 districts, as the election districts’ boundaries were defined as of July 1, 1966:

27 (i) Election District No. 4; and

28 (ii) Election District No. 8.

29 7–103.

30 (a) The entire area of Montgomery County is within the regional district,  
31 subject to the provisions of § 7–105 of this title.

1 (b) The entire area of Prince George's County is within the regional district,  
 2 with the exception of the City of Laurel, as its corporate boundaries are defined as of  
 3 July 1, 2008, **AND ANY SINGLE-FAMILY REAL PROPERTY ANNEXED BY THE CITY**  
 4 **OF LAUREL FROM JULY 2, 2008, TO JULY 1, 2012, BOTH INCLUSIVE.** A municipal  
 5 corporation within the areas added by this subsection to the  
 6 Maryland-Washington Regional District is not authorized, by means of an  
 7 amendment to its charter or otherwise, to exercise any of the powers relating to  
 8 planning, subdivision control, or zoning granted by the Maryland-National Capital  
 9 Park and Planning Commission or the County Council of Prince George's County. If  
 10 this subsection for any reason is held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be  
 11 invalid, it is declared to be the intention of the General Assembly that this subsection  
 12 is severable and that the remaining portions of this subsection would have been  
 13 enacted without the invalid portions.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland  
 15 read as follows:

16 Article – Land Use

17 19–102.

18 The boundaries of the metropolitan district are the same as existed on October  
 19 1, 2012, with the exclusion of any property annexed into the City of Rockville, the City  
 20 of Gaithersburg, or the Town of Washington Grove under Chapter 429 of the Acts of  
 21 the General Assembly of 2007.

22 20–101.

23 (a) There is a Maryland-Washington Regional District.

24 (b) The regional district consists of:

25 (1) the entire area of Montgomery County, subject to the limitations in  
 26 Subtitle 7, Part I of this title and Title 24, Subtitle 2 of this article; and

27 (2) the entire area of Prince George's County, except for the City of  
 28 Laurel as it existed on July 1, 2008, AND ANY SINGLE-FAMILY REAL PROPERTY  
 29 ANNEXED BY THE CITY OF LAUREL THROUGH JULY 1, 2012.

30 Chapter (H.B. 1290) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012

31 SECTION 11. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 3–102  
 32 through 3–107 of Article 28 – Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning  
 33 Commission of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed and reenacted, with  
 34 amendments, and transferred to the Session Laws, to read as follows:

35 Maryland-Washington Metropolitan District Boundaries

1 1.

2 (b) (3) The Maryland–Washington Metropolitan District does not include  
3 the City of Laurel as its municipal corporate boundaries existed on July 1, 1997, AND  
4 ANY SINGLE–FAMILY REAL PROPERTY ANNEXED BY THE CITY OF LAUREL  
5 THROUGH JULY 1, 2012.

6 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall  
7 take effect on the taking effect of Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ (H.B. 1290) of the Acts of the General  
8 Assembly of 2012. If Section 2 of this Act takes effect, Section 1 of this Act shall be  
9 abrogated and of no further force and effect.

10 SECTION ~~2~~ 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the  
11 provisions of Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.