

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND**

**2020 Legislative Session**

**BILL NO. 2020-07**

**Introduced by Charles County Commissioners**

**BY adding: Chapter 299. Resilience Authority Sections 299.01 through 299.15**

---

**Date introduced:** 11 / 17 / 2020

**Public Hearing:** 12 / 08 / 2020 @6:00 p.m.

**Commissioners Action:** 12 / 08 / 2020

**Commissioner Votes:** RBC: Y, BR: A, GB: Y, TC: Y, AS: Y

**Pass/Fail:** Pass

**Effective Date:** 01 / 22 / 2021

**Remarks:** \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing text.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

1 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

2  
3 2020 Legislative Session

4  
5 Bill No. 2020-07

6 Chapter. No. 299

7 Introduced by Charles County Commissioners

8 Date of Introduction 11/17/2020

9 **BILL**

10 AN ACT concerning:

11 Resilience Authority of Charles County

12  
13 FOR the purpose of

14 Establishing the creation of a Resilience Authority that is empowered to secure financing  
15 for resilience infrastructure projects that mitigate the effects of climate change in Charles  
16 County as set forth in Title 22 of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of  
17 Maryland.

18  
19 BY adding:

20 Chapter 299. Resilience Authority  
21 Sections 299.01 through 299.15  
22 *Code of Charles County, Maryland*  
23 (2019 Edition)

24  
25 **SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF**  
26 **CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Laws of Charles County, Maryland, read as**  
27 **follows:**

28 CHAPTER 299 – RESILIENCE AUTHORITY.

29  
30 **SECTION 299.01. PURPOSE.**

31 THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY OF CHARLES COUNTY WILL UNDERTAKE AND  
32 SUPPORT RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS, THAT MITIGATE THE EFFECTS  
33 OF CLIMATE CHANGE BY OFFERING A RANGE OF FINANCING STRUCTURES,

1 FORMS, AND TECHNIQUES AND LEVERAGES PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INVESTMENT  
2 AND STIMULATES DEMAND FOR RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS  
3 THROUGHOUT CHARLES COUNTY.  
4

5 **SECTION 299.02. DECLARATION OF NEED.**

6 (1) THE IMPACTS FROM CLIMATE CHANGE ARE HAPPENING NOW IN  
7 COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE STATE OF MARYLAND; AND

8  
9 (2) THESE IMPACTS INCLUDE RISING TEMPERATURES, MAJOR RAIN AND STORM  
10 EVENTS, SEA LEVEL RISE, AND CHANGES IN PRECIPITATION PATTERNS; AND

11  
12 (3) THOSE THINGS THAT MARYLAND COMMUNITIES DEPEND UPON AND VALUE-  
13 NATURAL RESOURCES AND ECOSYSTEMS, ENERGY, TRANSPORTATION,  
14 AGRICULTURE, CULTURAL AND HISTORIC RESOURCES, HUMAN HEALTH, AND  
15 ECONOMIC GROWTH – ARE EXPERIENCING, AND WILL CONTINUE TO  
16 EXPERIENCE, THE EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGES; AND

17  
18 (4) COMMUNITIES IN COASTAL STATES ACCOUNT FOR NEARLY HALF OF THE  
19 NATION’S POPULATION AND ECONOMIC ACTIVITY, AND THAT CUMULATIVE  
20 DAMAGE TO PROPERTY IN THOSE AREAS COULD REACH \$3.5 TRILLION BY 2060;  
21 AND

22  
23 (5) LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WILL BEAR MUCH OF THE RESPONSIBILITY AND  
24 COST REQUIRED TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE THROUGH  
25 INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT; AND

26 (6) A RESILIENCE AUTHORITY CAN WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  
27 CHARLES COUNTY TO ACCELERATE INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING,  
28 REDUCE THE COST OF IMPLEMENTATION, AND MITIGATE AND MANAGE THE  
29 RISKS OF CLIMATE CHANGE.  
30  
31  
32

33 **SECTION 299.03. DEFINITIONS.**

34 IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS

Asterisks \*\*\* mean intervening code language remaining unchanged  
NOTE: CAPITALS indicate language added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.



1 INDICATED.

2  
3 (1) “BOND” MEANS AN OBLIGATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF MONEY, BY  
4 WHATEVER NAME KNOWN OR SOURCE OF FUNDS SECURED, ISSUED BY  
5 THE CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT OR THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY  
6 UNDER STATE AND LOCAL GENERAL OR SPECIAL STATUTORY AUTHORITY.

7  
8 (2) “BOND” INCLUDES A REFUNDING BOND, A NOTE, AND ANY OTHER  
9 OBLIGATION.

10  
11 (3) “CAPITAL COSTS” MEANS COSTS INCURRED FOR ACQUISITION, PLANNING,  
12 DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, RENOVATION, RECONSTRUCTION,  
13 EXPANSION, SITE IMPROVEMENT, AND CAPITAL EQUIPPING.

14  
15 (4) “CHIEF EXECUTIVE” MEANS THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF  
16 COMMISSIONERS.

17  
18 (5) “CLIMATE CHANGE” INCLUDES SEA LEVEL RISE, NUISANCE FLOODING,  
19 INCREASED RAINFALL EVENTS, EROSION, AND TEMPERATURE RISE.

20  
21 (6) “LOCAL LAW” MEANS A LEGISLATIVE ACT OF CHARLES COUNTY.

22  
23 (7) “RESILIENCE AUTHORITY” MEANS THE AUTHORITY INCORPORATED BY  
24 CHARLES COUNTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS CHAPTER WHOSE PURPOSE IS  
25 TO UNDERTAKE OR SUPPORT RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.

26  
27 (8) (A) “RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE” MEANS INFRASTRUCTURE THAT  
28 MITIGATES THE EFFECTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE.

29 (B) “RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE” INCLUDES FLOOD BARRIERS, GREEN  
30 SPACES, BUILDING ELEVATION, AND STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE.

31  
32 (9) “RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT” MEANS A PROJECT TO FINANCE  
33 OR REFINANCE THE CAPITAL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH RESILIENCE  
34 INFRASTRUCTURE.

35 **SECTION 299.04. COUNTY AUTHORIZATION**

36  
37 (A) CHARLES COUNTY IS AUTHORIZED TO CREATE A RESILIENCE AUTHORITY

Asterisks \*\*\* mean intervening code language remaining unchanged  
NOTE: CAPITALS indicate language added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.

1 BY LOCAL LAW IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS CHAPTER.

2  
3 (B) THIS LOCAL LAW IS ADOPTED UNDER THIS SECTION:

4  
5 (1) IS ADMINISTRATIVE IN NATURE; AND

6  
7 (2) IS NOT SUBJECT TO REFERENDUM.

8  
9 (C) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, SUBSECTION (A) OF  
10 THIS SECTION IS SELF-EXECUTING AND FULLY AUTHORIZES CHARLES COUNTY  
11 TO ESTABLISH A RESILIENCE AUTHORITY.

12  
13 (D) THE LOCAL LAW ADOPTED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION  
14 SHALL INCLUDE PROPOSED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE RESILIENCE  
15 AUTHORITY OF CHARLES COUNTY THAT STATE THE FOLLOWING:

16  
17 (1) THE NAME OF THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY, SHALL BE THE  
18 "RESILIENCE AUTHORITY OF CHARLES COUNTY";

19  
20 (2) THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY IS FORMED UNDER THIS CHAPTER;

21  
22 (3) THE NAMES, ADDRESSES, AND TERMS OF OFFICE OF THE INITIAL  
23 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY ARE  
24 ENUMERATED IN THE GOVERNING BYLAWS THAT ARE HEREBY INCORPORATED  
25 BY REFERENCE;

26  
27 (4) THE ADDRESS OF THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE RESILIENCE  
28 AUTHORITY OF CHARLES COUNTY IS 200 BALTIMORE AVENUE, LA PLATA,  
29 MARYLAND 20646;

30  
31 (5) THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY IS FORMED;  
32 AND

33 (6) THE POWERS OF THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY, SUBJECT TO THE  
34 LIMITATIONS ON THE POWERS OF A RESILIENCE AUTHORITY UNDER THIS  
35 CHAPTER.

36  
37 (E) (1) THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, OR ANY



1 OTHER OFFICIAL DESIGNATED IN THIS LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING THE  
2 RESILIENCE AUTHORITY, SHALL EXECUTE AND FILE THE ARTICLES OF  
3 INCORPORATION OF THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY FOR RECORD WITH THE STATE  
4 DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION.

5  
6 (2) WHEN THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND  
7 TAXATION ACCEPTS THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR RECORD:

8  
9 (I) THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY BECOMES A BODY POLITIC  
10 AND CORPORATE AND AN INSTRUMENTALITY OF CHARLES COUNTY  
11 GOVERNMENT; AND

12  
13 (II) THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS,  
14 OR ANY OTHER OFFICIAL DESIGNATED IN THE LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING THE  
15 RESILIENCE AUTHORITY, SHALL SUBMIT THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, IN  
16 ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO:

17 1. THE SENATE BUDGET AND TAXATION COMMITTEE  
18 AND THE SENATE EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS  
19 COMMITTEE; AND

20 2. THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE AND THE  
21 HOUSE ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.

22 3. ACCEPTANCE OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
23 FOR RECORD BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND  
24 TAXATION IS CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE OF THE FORMATION OF THE  
25 RESILIENCE AUTHORITY.

26  
27 (F) (1) THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SHALL APPROVE ANY  
28 AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE RESILIENCE  
29 AUTHORITY.

30  
31 (2) ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT MAY CONTAIN ANY PROVISION  
32 THAT LAWFULLY COULD BE CONTAINED IN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AT  
33 THE TIME OF THE AMENDMENT.

34

1 (3) THE ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT SHALL BE FILED FOR  
2 RECORD WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION.

3  
4 (4) THE ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT ARE EFFECTIVE AS OF THE  
5 TIME THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION ACCEPTS THE  
6 ARTICLES FOR RECORD.

7  
8 (5) ACCEPTANCE OF THE ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT FOR RECORD  
9 BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION IS CONCLUSIVE  
10 EVIDENCE THAT THE ARTICLES HAVE BEEN LAWFULLY AND PROPERLY  
11 ADOPTED.

12  
13 (G) (1) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER AND ANY  
14 LIMITATIONS IMPOSED BY LAW ON THE IMPAIRMENT OF CONTRACTS, THE  
15 CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, BY  
16 LOCAL LAW MAY:

17  
18 (I) SET OR CHANGE THE POWERS, STRUCTURE,  
19 ORGANIZATION, PROCEDURES, PROGRAMS, OR ACTIVITIES OF THE RESILIENCE  
20 AUTHORITY;

21  
22 (II) DETERMINE THE REVENUE SOURCES OF THE  
23 RESILIENCE AUTHORITY, INCLUDING THE USE OF GENERAL FUND REVENUE AND  
24 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS;

25  
26 (III) ESTABLISH THE BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL  
27 PROCEDURES OF THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY; AND

28  
29 (IV) TERMINATE THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY.

30  
31 (2) ON TERMINATION OF A RESILIENCE AUTHORITY:

32  
33 (I) TITLE TO ALL PROPERTY OF THE RESILIENCE  
34 AUTHORITY SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO AND BE VESTED IN THE CHARLES  
35 COUNTY GOVERNMENT; AND  
36



1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25  
26  
27  
28  
29  
30  
31  
32  
33  
34  
35  
36

(II) ALL OBLIGATIONS OF THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO AND ASSUMED BY THE CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT.

**SECTION 299.05. OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES.**

(A) OFFICERS GOVERNING THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY AND EMPLOYEES OF THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY SHALL BE APPOINTED OR HIRED AS PROVIDED BY LOCAL LAW AND THE BYLAWS OF THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY.

(B) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS CHAPTER, THE PROCEDURES OF THE CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT CONTROL ANY PERSONNEL MATTER RELATING TO THE INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION OF THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY.

**SECTION 299.06. EARNINGS AND BENEFITS.**

EXCEPT AS NECESSARY TO PAY DEBT SERVICE OR IMPLEMENT THE PUBLIC PURPOSES OR PROGRAMS OF THE CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT, THE NET EARNINGS OF THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY OF CHARLES COUNTY MAY BENEFIT ONLY THE CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND MAY NOT BENEFIT ANY PERSON.

**SECTION 299.07. POWERS OF THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY.**

(A) EXCEPT AS LIMITED BY THE LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY OR ITS ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY HAS ALL THE POWERS UNDER THIS CHAPTER.

(B) THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY HAS AND MAY EXERCISE ALL POWERS NECESSARY OR CONVENIENT TO UNDERTAKE, FINANCE, MANAGE, ACQUIRE, OWN, CONVEY, OR SUPPORT RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS, INCLUDING THE POWER TO:

Asterisks \*\*\* mean intervening code language remaining unchanged  
NOTE: CAPITALS indicate language added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.



- 1 (1) ACQUIRE BY PURCHASE, LEASE, OR OTHER LEGAL MEANS, BUT
- 2 NOT BY EMINENT DOMAIN, PROPERTY FOR RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE;
- 3 (2) ESTABLISH, CONSTRUCT, ALTER, IMPROVE, EQUIP, REPAIR,
- 4 MAINTAIN, OPERATE, AND REGULATE RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE
- 5 OWNED BY THE CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT OR THE RESILIENCE
- 6 AUTHORITY;
- 7 (3) RECEIVE MONEY FROM THE CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT,
- 8 THE STATE, OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNITS, OR PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS;
- 9 (4) CHARGE AND COLLECT FEES FOR ITS SERVICES;
- 10
- 11 (5) SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF
- 12 COMMISSIONERS, CHARGE AND COLLECT FEES TO BACK ITS BOND
- 13 ISSUANCES;
- 14 (6) HAVE EMPLOYEES AND CONSULTANTS AS IT CONSIDERS
- 15 NECESSARY;
- 16 (7) USE THE SERVICES OF OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNITS; AND
- 17
- 18 (8) ACT AS NECESSARY OR CONVENIENT TO CARRY OUT THE
- 19 POWERS GRANTED TO IT BY LAW.

20

21 **SECTION 299.08. BOND ISSUANCE.**

22

23 (A) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, THE RESILIENCE

24 AUTHORITY MAY ISSUE AND SELL BONDS PERIODICALLY:

- 25
- 26 (1) FOR RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS;
- 27
- 28 (2) TO REFUND OUTSTANDING BONDS;
- 29
- 30 (3) TO PAY THE COSTS OF PREPARING, PRINTING, SELLING, AND
- 31 ISSUING THE BONDS;
- 32
- 33 (4) TO FUND RESERVES; AND
- 34
- 35 (5) TO PAY THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS IN THE AMOUNT AND FOR THE
- 36 PERIOD THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY CONSIDERS REASONABLE.

37

38 (B) BONDS ISSUED BY THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY ARE

1 LIMITED OBLIGATIONS AND ARE NOT A PLEDGE OF THE FAITH AND  
2 CREDIT OR TAXING POWER OF THE CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT.

3  
4 **SECTION 299.09. BONDS RESOLUTIONS.**

5  
6 (A) FOR EACH ISSUE OF ITS BONDS, THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY SHALL  
7 ADOPT A RESOLUTION THAT:

8  
9 (1) SPECIFIES AND DESCRIBES THE RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE;

10  
11 (2) GENERALLY, DESCRIBES THE PUBLIC PURPOSE TO BE SERVED AND  
12 THE FINANCING TRANSACTION;

13  
14 (3) SPECIFIES THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF THE BONDS THAT  
15 MAY BE ISSUED; AND

16  
17 (4) IMPOSES TERMS OR CONDITIONS ON THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF  
18 BONDS IT CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE.

19  
20 (B) THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY, BY RESOLUTION, MAY:

21  
22 (1) SPECIFY, DETERMINE, PRESCRIBE, AND APPROVE MATTERS,  
23 DOCUMENTS, AND PROCEDURES THAT RELATE TO THE AUTHORIZATION,  
24 SALE, SECURITY, ISSUANCE, DELIVERY, AND PAYMENT OF AND FOR THE  
25 BONDS;

26  
27 (2) CREATE SECURITY FOR THE BONDS;

28  
29 (3) PROVIDE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF BOND ISSUES THROUGH  
30 TRUST OR OTHER AGREEMENTS WITH A BANK OR TRUST COMPANY THAT  
31 COVER A COUNTERSIGNATURE ON A BOND, THE DELIVERY OF A BOND, OR  
32 THE SECURITY FOR A BOND; AND

33  
34 (4) TAKE OTHER ACTION IT CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE CONCERNING  
35 THE BONDS.

36  
37 **SECTION 299.10. BONDS; TAXES; CONTRACTS.**



1 (A) THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON BONDS, THE TRANSFER OF  
2 BONDS, AND ANY INCOME DERIVED FROM THE BONDS, INCLUDING PROFITS  
3 MADE IN THEIR SALE OR TRANSFER, ARE FOREVER EXEMPT FROM STATE  
4 AND LOCAL TAXES.

5  
6 (B) A CONTRACT FOR A RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT MAY  
7 PROVIDE THAT PAYMENT SHALL BE MADE IN BONDS.

8  
9 (C) A BOND IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS OF §§ 19-205 AND 19-206  
10 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF  
11 MARYLAND.

12  
13 **SECTION 299.11. FINDINGS AS TO PUBLIC PURPOSE.**

14  
15 A FINDING BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OR THE BOARD OF  
16 DIRECTORS OF THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY AS TO THE PUBLIC PURPOSE OF AN  
17 ACTION TAKEN UNDER THIS CHAPTER, AND THE APPROPRIATENESS OF THAT  
18 ACTION TO SERVE THE PUBLIC PURPOSE, IS CONCLUSIVE IN A PROCEEDING  
19 INVOLVING THE VALIDITY OR ENFORCEABILITY OF A BOND, OR SECURITY FOR  
20 A BOND, ISSUED UNDER THIS TITLE.

21  
22 **SECTION 299.12. DEDICATION OF REVENUES.**

23  
24 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW OR CHARTER, THE BOARD  
25 OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY DEDICATE ANY REVENUES OF THE CHARLES  
26 COUNTY GOVERNMENT FOR REPAYMENT OF BONDS AND TO SUPPORT THE  
27 OPERATIONS OR RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS OF THE RESILIENCE  
28 AUTHORITY.

29 **SECTION 299.13. JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORITY.**

30  
31 IF MULTIPLE COUNTIES OR MUNICIPALITIES ESTABLISH A RESILIENCE  
32 AUTHORITY:

- 33  
34 (1) EACH SHALL BE CONSIDERED AN INCORPORATING LOCAL GOVERNMENT;  
35 AND  
36



1 (2) THE COUNTIES OR MUNICIPALITIES SHALL FILE JOINTLY ARTICLES OF  
2 INCORPORATION OR ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 22-102  
3 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF  
4 MARYLAND.

5  
6 **SECTION 299.14. CONSTRUCTION OF CHAPTER.**

7  
8 NOTHING IN THIS CHAPTER MAY BE CONSTRUED TO:

9  
10 (1) PROHIBIT THE CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT FROM JOINING WITH  
11 MULTIPLE COUNTIES OR MUNICIPALITIES AND ESTABLISHING THROUGH JOINT  
12 ACTION, A RESILIENCE AUTHORITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS CHAPTER; OR

13  
14 (2) AUTHORIZE THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY TO LEVY A TAX.

15  
16 **SECTION 299.15. REPORTS.**

17  
18 (A) ON JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR, IN A FORMAT DESIGNATED  
19 BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, THE RESILIENCE  
20 AUTHORITY SHALL, REPORT TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON THE  
21 ACTIVITIES OF THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY.

22  
23 (B) (1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, ON OR  
24 BEFORE THE JANUARY 1 AFTER THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY IS  
25 ESTABLISHED BY THE CHARLES COUNTY GOVERNMENT IN  
26 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS CHAPTER, AND ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1 OF  
27 EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY SHALL SUBMIT A  
28 REPORT IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT  
29 ARTICLE TO:

30 (I) THE SENATE BUDGE AND TAXATION COMMITTEE AND THE  
31 SENATE EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS  
32 COMMITTEES; AND

33 (II) THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE AND THE HOUSE  
34 ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.

35

Asterisks \*\*\* mean intervening code language remaining unchanged  
NOTE: CAPITALS indicate language added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.

1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25  
26  
27  
28  
29  
30  
31  
32  
33  
34  
35  
36  
37  
38  
39  
40  
41

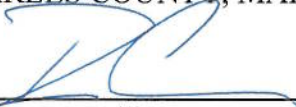
(2) THE REPORT REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL INCLUDE, AT A MINIMUM:

- (I) A COPY OF THE REPORT REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION;
- (II) A DESCRIPTION OF THE RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS FUNDED BY THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY; AND
- (III) THE SOURCES OF REVENUE FOR THE RESILIENCE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN BY THE RESILIENCE AUTHORITY.

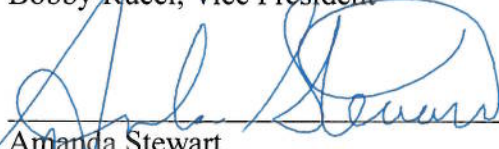
**SECTION 2.** BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this bill shall become effective forty-five (45) calendar days after it becomes law.


Adopted this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2020.

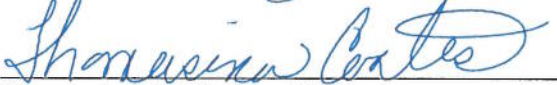
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Reuben B. Collins, II Esq., President

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Bobby Rucci, Vice President

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Amanda Stewart

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Gilbert O. Bowling, III

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Thomasina O. Coates, M.S.

ATTEST.  
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Carol DeSoto, Clerk to the Commissioners

Asterisks \*\*\* mean intervening code language remaining unchanged  
NOTE: CAPITALS indicate language added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.