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County Council Of Howard County, Maryland

2010 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 4

Bill No. 14 -2010

Introduced by: Mary Kay Sigaty, Calvin Ball, Jennifer Terrasa, and Courtney Watson

AN ACT to specify the minimum size of certain buildings to which the Howard County Green Buildings Law applies in Downtown Columbia; defining a certain term; and generally relating to building efficiency and design.

Introduced and read first time _____, 2010. Ordered posted and hearing scheduled.

By order _____
Stephen LeGendre, Administrator

Having been posted and notice of time & place of hearing & title of Bill having been published according to Charter, the Bill was read for a second time at a public hearing on _____, 2010.

By order _____
Stephen LeGendre, Administrator

This Bill was read the third time on _____, 2010 and Passed ____, Passed with amendments _____, Failed _____.

By order _____
Stephen LeGendre, Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this ___ day of _____, 2010 at ___ a.m./p.m.

By order _____
Stephen LeGendre, Administrator

Approved by the County Executive _____, 2010

Ken Ulman, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; Strike-out indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

1 **Section 1. Be It Enacted** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that new
2 subsection (c-1) be added to Section 3.1002 “Definitions” of Subtitle 10 “Energy
3 Efficiency and Environmental Design” of Title 3 “Buildings” of the Howard County
4 Code to read as follows:

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7 **Title 3. Buildings.**

8 **Subtitle 10. Energy Efficiency and Environmental Design.**

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10 **Section 3.1002. Definitions.**

11 (c-1) *Downtown Columbia* means that area defined as Downtown Columbia in
12 §103.A.41 of the Howard County Zoning Regulations.

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14 **Section 2. Be It Further Enacted** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland,
15 that Section 3.1003 “Applicability; exceptions” of Subtitle 10 “Energy Efficiency and
16 Environmental Design” of Title 3 “Buildings” of the Howard County Code be amended
17 to read as follows:

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19 **Title 3. Buildings.**

20 **Subtitle 10. Energy Efficiency and Environmental Design.**

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22 **Section 3.1003. Applicability; exceptions.**

23 (a) *Applicability.* Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the following new
24 construction shall comply with the requirements of this subtitle:

25 (1) New construction of a publicly funded building with 10,000 square feet or
26 more of gross floor area; and

27 (2) New construction of buildings that are not publicly funded and have 50,000
28 square feet or more of gross floor area, OR IN DOWNTOWN COLUMBIA 10,000 SQUARE
29 FEET OR MORE OF GROSS FLOOR AREA, in the following occupancy categories:

30 (i) Assembly Group A;

31 (ii) Business Group B;

- 1 (iii) Institutional Group I;
- 2 (iv) Mercantile Group M;
- 3 (v) Mixed occupancies if:
 - 4 a. A majority of the use is an occupancy included in this
 - 5 subsection; and
 - 6 b. The building is two stories or more; and
- 7 (vi) The following residential occupancies:
 - 8 a. Residential R-1; and
 - 9 b. Residential R-2.

10 (b) *Exceptions.* The requirements of this subtitle shall not apply to:

- 11 (1) New construction of a publicly funded building in the E or I-3 occupancy
- 12 categories;
- 13 (2) New construction of a nonpublicly funded building in the R-2 occupancy that
- 14 is:
 - 15 (i) Made up of only residential dwelling units; and
 - 16 (ii) Less than five stories in height;
- 17 (3) New construction of a building that does not have an HVAC system;
- 18 and
- 19 (4) Other new construction as may be set forth by regulation of the Director.

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21 **Section 3. *And Be It Further Enacted*** by the County Council of Howard County,
22 *Maryland, that this Act shall become effective 61 days after its enactment.*