

**COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 12-17**

**AN EMERGENCY BILL ENTITLED**

**AN ACT CONCERNING Automatic Fire Sprinkler Systems for Town houses and One- and Two- Family Dwellings;**

**FOR THE PURPOSE of opting-out of the requirements of the Maryland Building Performance Standards relating to automatic fire sprinkler systems in town houses and one- and two- family dwellings until January 1, 2016.**

**BY ADDING §10-2 B.(3)(g) and § 10-3 E. to Chapter 10 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Queen Anne’s County, Maryland.**

**SECTION I**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE’S COUNTY, MARYLAND that a new Section 10-2 B.(3)(g) be added to the Code of Public Local Laws to read as follows:**

**(g) The provisions of the foregoing subsection (f) shall govern the installation of automatic fire sprinkler systems in townhomes and one- and two-family dwellings in Queen Anne’s County until December 31, 2015 irrespective of any differing of more stringent standards contained in, or required by, the Maryland Building Performance Standards or Section 12-504 of the Public Safety Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.**

**SECTION II**

**BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that a new Section 10-3 E. be added to the Code of Public Local Laws to read as follows:**

**E. The provisions of the foregoing Sections C. and D. shall remain in effect until December 31, 2015 irrespective of any differing or more stringent standards contained in, or otherwise required by The Maryland Building Performance Standards or Section 12-504 of the Public Safety Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.**

**SECTION III**

**BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this shall be declared a emergency bill affecting the public health, safety and welfare of the County and upon the affirmative vote of at least four-fifths of the total membership of the Board of**

**County Commissioners shall take effect immediately, otherwise the same shall not be deemed an emergency bill and shall take effect on the forty-sixth (46<sup>th</sup>) day following its passage.**

**INTRODUCED BY: Commissioner Arentz**

**DATE: August 28, 2012**

**PUBLIC HEARING HELD: September 25, 2012 @ 6:50 p.m.**

**VOTE: 5 Yea 0 Nay**

**DATE OF ADOPTION: September 25, 2012**

**EFFECTIVE DATE: September 25, 2012**