COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND Legislative Session 2025, Legislative Day No. 14

Bill No. <u>64-25</u>

Mr. David Marks, Councilman

By the County Council, September 2, 2025

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Metropolitan District – Wastewater User Charges

FOR the purpose of amending the time to request a review of annual Metropolitan District wastewater user charges; and generally relating to requests for review of wastewater user charges.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments

Section 20-5-110(a) Article 20 – Metropolitan District Title 5 – Wastewater Regulation Baltimore County Code, 2015

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from bill. <u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

1	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE
2	COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Laws of Baltimore County read as follows:
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4	ARTICLE 20 – METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
5	Title 5 – Wastewater Regulation
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7	§ 20-5-110. Review of User Charges; Appeals; Refunds.
8	(a) Any person liable for the payment of the user charges imposed pursuant to this title
9	and who disputes such charges may, within [two hundred forty (240)] THREE HUNDRED
10	SIXTY-FIVE (365) days after mailing of the bill for such charges, request the Director of Public
11	Works to review the charges imposed. Such requests for review shall be in such form, contain
12	such information, and be supported by such documents as the Director of Public Works may
13	require. The Director of Public Works shall investigate the merits of all such requests, and the
14	person requesting review shall be entitled to a hearing before the Director of Public Works or
15	designee. After investigation and hearing, if requested, the Director of Public Works shall, by
16	written notice, notify the person requesting review of the action taken. If the Director of Public
17	Works or designee determines that all or any part of the charges were erroneously, mistakenly, or
18	illegally charged or collected, such charges shall either be abated or refunded.
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20	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act, having been passed by
21	the affirmative vote of five members of the County Council, shall take effect 14 days after its
22	enactment, and shall apply retroactively as of July 1, 2025.