COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND

BILL 21-1

BY: Bertino, Church, Elder, Mitrecic, Nordstrom and Purnell

INTRODUCED: November 17, 2020

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT Concerning

Zoning – Height regulations in the A-1 and A-2 Agricultural Districts

For the purpose of amending the Zoning and Subdivision Control Article to establish a special exception provision for the increase in the height of residential accessory structures in the A-1 and A-2 Agricultural Districts.

Section 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND, that existing Subsection § ZS 1-201(e) of the Zoning and Subdivision Control Article of the Code of Public Local Laws of Worcester County, Maryland be amended to read as follows:

(1) The Board of Zoning Appeals may permit as a special exception an increase in the maximum height, but not number of stories, of a residential accessory structure to no more than thirty-five feet if, in the view of the Board, such increase will serve to reduce an environmental impact and no neighborhood adverse effects or safety hazards will be created. Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ ZS 1-116(c)(4) and ZS 1-305(h)(2), any residential accessory structure exceeding twenty-five feet in height shall comply with the setbacks for the principal use or structure.

Section 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND, that existing Subsection § ZS 1-202(e) of the Zoning and Subdivision Control Article of the Code of Public Local Laws of Worcester County, Maryland be amended to read as follows:

(1) The Board of Zoning Appeals may permit as a special exception an increase in the maximum height, but not number of stories, of a residential accessory structure to no more than thirty-five feet if, in the view of the Board, such increase will serve to reduce an environmental impact and no neighborhood adverse effects or safety hazards will be created. Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ ZS 1-116(c)(4) and ZS 1-305(h)(2), any residential accessory structure exceeding twenty-five feet in height shall comply with the setbacks for the principal use or structure.

Section 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND, that this Bill shall take effect forty-five (45) days from the date of its passage.

PASSED this 5th day of January, 2021.

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