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COUNTY COUNCIL

OF

DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND

2021 Legislative Session,
Legislative Day No. 17

Introduced By: County Council

BILL NO. 2021-17

AN ACT OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND PURSUANT TO SECTION 10-202 AND SECTION 10-328 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND TO REPEAL AND REENACT SECTION 116-6(A) ENTITLED "ENFORCEMENT; COMPLAINT, INVESTIGATION AND ABATEMENT" OF CHAPTER 116 ENTITLED "NUISANCE CONTROL" OF THE DORCHESTER COUNTY CODE TO PROVIDE THAT DEPENDING ON THE VIOLATION, THE HEALTH OFFICER OF DORCHESTER COUNTY OR HIS DESIGNEE OR THE DESIGNATED AGENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING SHALL BE THE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF CHAPTER 116 OF THE DORCHESTER COUNTY CODE.

Introduced, read first time, ordered posted on the official bulletin board of County, County Office Building, 501 Court Lane, Cambridge, Maryland 21613.

Ordered publication for once a week for two (2) successive weeks, and public hearing scheduled on Tuesday, October 5, 2021, Room 110, County Office Building, 501 Court Lane, Cambridge, Maryland at 6:04 p.m.

By order:


Jay L. Newcomb

President of the County Council
of Dorchester County, Maryland

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SECTION ONE: Acting under Section 10-202 and Section 10-328 of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (the "Acts") be it ENACTED and ORDAINED by the County Council of Dorchester County, Maryland that Section 116-6(A) of Chapter 116 entitled "Nuisance Control" of the Dorchester County Code, be repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

Chapter 116

NUISANCE CONTROL

§ 116-6. Enforcement; complaint, investigation and abatement.

A.1. Except as is provided for in subsection A.2. of this section, the Health Officer of Dorchester County, his designee or other properly designated law enforcement agent of Dorchester County shall be the enforcement officer. When he receives a complaint in writing from any legally qualified medical practitioner or any person affected thereby, he shall institute an investigation, and if the place or thing complained of is in such a condition as to constitute a nuisance under the terms of this chapter, he shall serve a notice in writing on the person, firm or corporation responsible for the condition requiring him or it to abate the same within a time specified on the notice.

A.2. As to violations of Section 116-4(G) and Section 116-4(H) of this chapter, the designated agent of the Department of Planning and Zoning shall be the enforcement officer. When he receives a complaint in writing from any legally qualified medical practitioner or any person affected thereby, he shall institute an investigation, and if the place or thing complained of is in such a condition as to constitute a nuisance under the terms of this chapter, he shall serve

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SECTION TWO: Pursuant to the Acts be it further ENACTED and ORDAINED by the County Council of Dorchester County, Maryland that General Code Publishers is directed to codify new Section 116-6(A) of Chapter 116 of the Dorchester County Code accordingly.

SECTION THREE: And be it further ENACTED pursuant to Section 308 of the Charter of Dorchester County, Maryland that promptly after enactment of this Act, the County Manager shall cause a fair summary of this Act to be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in Dorchester County, Maryland.

SECTION FOUR: And be it further ENACTED and ORDAINED by the County Council of Dorchester County, Maryland that this Bill shall be known as Bill No. 2021-17 of Dorchester County, Maryland and shall take effect sixty (60) days after its final passage.

PASSED this 5th day of October, 2021.

ATTEST:

COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: 
Donna F. Lane
Acting County Manager

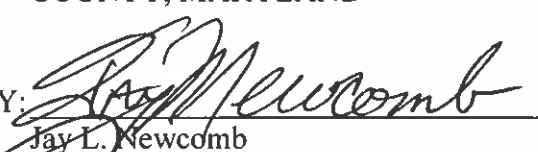
BY: 
Jay L. Newcomb
President

APPROVED this 5th day of October, 2021.

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COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: 
Donna F. Lane
Acting County Manager

BY: 
Jay L. Newcomb
President

Nichols – aye
Nagel – aye
Newcomb – aye
Pfeffer – aye
Travers – aye