

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

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Bill No. 59-13

Introduced by Mr. Walker

By the County Council, June 17, 2013

Introduced and first read on June 17, 2013
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Public Hearing continued and bill AMENDED on September 3, 2013
Public Hearing on AMENDED BILL set for September 16, 2013
Bill Expires September 20, 2013

By Order: Elizabeth E. Jones, Administrative Officer

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning: Construction and Property Maintenance Codes
2 Supplement – International Residential Code and International Plumbing Code –
3 Backflow Prevention Devices
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5 FOR the purpose of amending the required interval for the inspection and testing of
6 backflow prevention devices ~~for certain dwellings~~; and generally relating to the
7 International Plumbing Code and the International Residential Code.
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9 BY renumbering: International Residential Code Amendments, Items 24 through 33 to be
10 Items 25 through 34; and International Plumbing Code Amendments, Items (8)
11 through (18) to be Items (9) through (19)
12 Anne Arundel County Construction and Property Maintenance Codes Supplement,
13 October 1, 2005 (as amended)
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15 BY adding: International Residential Code Amendments, Item 24; and International
16 Plumbing Code Amendments, Item (8)
17 Anne Arundel County Construction and Property Maintenance Codes Supplement,
18 October 1, 2005 (as amended)
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20 SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the County Council of Anne Arundel County,*
21 *Maryland, That the International Residential Code Amendments, Items 24 through 33;*
22 *and the International Plumbing Code Amendments, Items (8) through (18), Anne Arundel*
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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate new matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.
~~Strikeover~~ indicates matter stricken from bill by amendment.

1 County Construction and Property Maintenance Codes Supplement, October 1, 2005 (as
2 amended) are hereby renumbered to be the International Residential Code Amendments,
3 Items 25 through 34; and the International Plumbing Code Amendments, Items (9)
4 through (19), respectively.

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6 SECTION 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the Anne Arundel County Construction and
7 Property Maintenance Codes Supplement, October 1, 2005, reads as follows:

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9 **CONSTRUCTION AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODES SUPPLEMENT**

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11 **INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE AMENDMENTS.**

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13 (24) AFTER SECTION P2503.8 INSERT:

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15 **P2503.8.1 Inspections.** Inspections shall be made of all backflow prevention
16 assemblies UPON INSTALLATION, IMMEDIATELY AFTER REPAIRS OR RELOCATION, AND
17 EVERY THREE YEARS to determine whether they are operable.

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19 **P2503.8.2 Testing.** Reduced pressure principle, double check, double check
20 detector and pressure vacuum breaker backflow assemblies shall be tested at the time of
21 installation, immediately after repairs or relocation and [at least annually] EVERY THREE
22 YEARS.

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24 **PLUMBING CODE AMENDMENTS**

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26 The provisions of the 2012 International Plumbing Code are amended, deleted, or
27 corrected as follows and the following provisions shall supersede the part of the text of
28 the 2012 International Plumbing Code as indicated:

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30 (8) IN SECTION ~~312.10.4~~ 312.10 IN THE FIRST SENTENCE, STRIKE THE “AND” AND
31 SUBSTITUTE A COMMA, IN THE SAME SENTENCE, AFTER “312.10.2” INSERT “AND 312.10.3”
32 AND, AFTER THE THIRD PARAGRAPH, INSERT:

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34 **“312.10.3 EXCEPTIONS.** INSPECTIONS AND TESTING OF BACKFLOW PREVENTION
35 ASSEMBLIES AND AIR GAPS IN SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED DWELLINGS, SEMI-
36 DETACHED DWELLINGS, TOWNHOMES AND RESIDENTIAL IRRIGATION SYSTEMS
37 SHALL BE MADE EVERY THREE YEARS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THEY ARE
38 OPERABLE.”

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40 SECTION 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Ordinance shall take effect 45 days
41 from the date it becomes law.