

~~Local~~ Washington County - Government Administrative
Procedure Act

FOR the purpose of requiring certain procedures before certain agencies may adopt rules; requiring certain agencies to adopt certain rules of procedure; requiring certain agencies to file copies of rules with certain authorities; requiring certain agencies to compile their rules; permitting declaratory judgments on the validity of rules under certain circumstances; permitting certain agencies to issue advisory opinions on rules under certain circumstances; permitting judicial review of certain rules and proceedings of certain agencies under certain circumstances; providing for certain procedures in contested cases before certain agencies; granting certain agencies certain status under certain circumstances; providing that this Act shall supersede certain rule making procedures; providing that certain rules may not be enforced after a certain date unless copies are filed with certain authorities; and generally relating to the rule making authority and procedures of ~~certain-local~~ Washington County government agencies.

BY adding to

Article 25 - County Commissioners
Section 232 through 245, to be under the new subtitle
"~~Local-Washington County~~ Washington County Government Administrative
Procedure Act"
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1973 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 25 - County Commissioners

~~LOCAL~~ WASHINGTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATIVE
PROCEDURE ACT

232.

(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) "AGENCY" MEANS ANY BOARD, COMMISSION, DEPARTMENT OR OFFICER OF A WASHINGTON COUNTY OR ~~MUNICIPALITY~~ AUTHORIZED BY LAW TO MAKE RULES OR ADJUDICATE CONTESTED CASES. "AGENCY" DOES NOT INCLUDE THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ~~ANY WASHINGTON COUNTY~~; ~~THE COUNTY COUNCIL OR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ANY WASHINGTON COUNTY OR THE CITY COUNCIL, BY WHATEVER NAME KNOWN, OF ANY MUNICIPALITY~~ WHEN ACTING STRICTLY AS A LEGISLATIVE BODY; ~~THE WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION; OR THE MARYLAND NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK~~