

(t) (1) To make reasonable regulations in regard to buildings and signs to be erected, constructed, or reconstructed in the county, and to grant building permits for the same; to formulate a building code, plumbing code, or electrical code and to provide for inspections for and enforcement of such codes and to require reasonable charges for permits and inspections; to authorize and require the inspection of all buildings and structures and to authorize the condemnation thereof as provided under public general laws, in whole or in part, when dangerous or insecure, and to require that such buildings and structures be made safe or be taken down; to require the inspection and licensing of elevators and to prohibit their use when unsafe or dangerous or without a license. Any electrical code formulated under this section shall not apply to electrical equipment or electrical appliances and devices used by public utilities in furnishing their services, or to work performed by public utilities or their affiliated companies.

(2) The powers of the County Commissioners of Charles County are controlled by the provisions of the local laws of the county and not by the provisions of this subsection.

(3) The County Commissioners of Caroline, Somerset, and Dorchester counties by ordinance may provide for the general licensing of electricians; license and establish classifications of electricians; define and establish duties and powers of electrical inspectors, including permits and registrations; provide for penalties for violation of any of these ordinances; create and establish a Board of Electrical Examiners; and provide for, define, and establish powers and duties of the Board of Electrical Examiners.

(4) The Board of County Commissioners of Washington County may adopt ordinances or resolutions to license household appliance installers to perform plumbing work incident to the installation of home appliances. The Board may require a license fee and a performance bond before the license is granted.

(5) THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CALVERT COUNTY BY ORDINANCE MAY PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF ELECTRICAL AND PLUMBING CODES.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1985.

Approved May 21, 1985.

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