

AMENDMENT TO
COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 06-12

AN AMENDMENT TO
A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT CONCERNING Amendments to the Queen Anne's County Ethics Ordinance, Chapter 8 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Queen Anne's County;

FOR THE PURPOSE of expanding the coverage of the Queen Anne's County Ethics Ordinance (Chapter 8 of the Code of Public Local Laws) to certain boards and commissions; revising and expanding the definition of "Executive Action"; removing the prohibition on membership on the Queen Anne's County Ethics Commission if a family member is a registered lobbyist or member of an organization required to register under '8-14 of the Code of Public Local Laws; providing that members of the Ethics Commission may only be removed for good cause following notice and an opportunity to be heard; providing that the Ethics Commission shall be advised by legal counsel of its choice; providing the Ethics Commission with subpoena power and authority to issue oaths and affirmations; expanding the Conflicts of Interests provisions of the Ethics Ordinance; restricting gifts from lobbyists subject to registration under '8-14; and generally revising the provisions of pending County Ordinance 06-12 pertaining to Chapter 8 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Queen Anne's County.

BY AMENDING pending County Ordinance 06-12 to also amend Sections 8-5, 8-6, 8-8, 8-9, 8-10, 8-11 and 8-12 of Chapter 8 of the Code of Public Local Laws and to add a new Section 8-10 I. to Chapter 8 of the Code;

SECTION I

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND that pending County Ordinance 06-12 be amended to read as set forth on the attached.

SECTION II

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Amendment to County Ordinance 06-12 shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

INTRODUCED BY: Gene Ransom

DATE: August 1, 2006

VOTE: 2 Yea 3 Nay

DATE OF ADOPTION: Failed