

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2020 Legislative Session

Bill No. CB-75-2020

Chapter No. 69

Proposed and Presented by Council Members Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Davis, Taveras,
Ivey, Dernoga, Streeter, Hawkins, Turner and Anderson-Walker

Introduced by Council Members Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Davis, Taveras,
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Date of Introduction October 20, 2020

BILL

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Grocery Store Real Property Tax Credit Focus Area

3 For the purpose of modifying the definition of a Grocery Store Focus Area and making Healthy
4 Food Priority Areas eligible for the Grocery Store Real Property Tax Credit.

5 BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:

6 SUBTITLE 10. FINANCE AND TAXATION.

7 Section 10-310,

8 The Prince George's County Code

9 (2019 Edition).

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
11 Maryland, that Section 10-310 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby
12 repealed and reenacted with the following amendments:

13 **SUBTITLE 10. FINANCE AND TAXATION.**

14 **DIVISION 3. GROCERY STORE TAX CREDIT.**

15 **Sec. 10-310. Definitions.**

16 (a) In this Division, the following words have the meanings indicated:

17 (1) **Grocery store** means an entity:

18 (A) Whose primary business is selling food at retail to the general public for off-
19 premises consumption; and

20 (B) At least 20% of the gross receipts of which are derived from the retail sale of

1 fresh produce, meats, and dairy products.

2 (2) **Grocery Store Tax Credit** means the tax credit authorized by Section 10-311.

3 (3) **Grocery Store Focus Area** means an economically disadvantaged or underserved
4 area in Prince George's County. This term shall solely include a Healthy Food Priority Area, as
5 defined in Section 10-235.26 of the Code.

6 [(A) an area designated as a food desert by:

7 (i) the Secretary of the Maryland Department of Housing and Economic
8 Development in accordance with Section 6-308(c) of the Housing and Community Development
9 Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland; or

10 (ii) the United States Department of Agriculture; or

11 (B) a vacant commercial space in Prince George's County that

12 (i) was previously occupied by a grocery store; or

13 (ii) is located within a commercial shopping center in operation for more than
14 twenty-five (25) years.]

15 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect forty-five (45)
16 calendar days after it becomes law.

Adopted this 17th day of November, 2020.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Todd M. Turner
Council Chair

ATTEST:

Donna Brown
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Angela D. Alsobrooks
County Executive

KEY:
Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.
Asterisks *** indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.