

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

2024 Legislative Session

Bill No. CB-068-2024

Chapter No. 58

Proposed and Presented by Council Members Ivey and Harrison

Introduced by Council Members Ivey, Harrison and Watson

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction October 8, 2024

BILL

1 AN ACT concerning

2 The Prince George's County Code (2023 Edition)

3 For the purpose of adopting and publishing the 2023 Edition of the Prince George's County
4 Code.

5 BY compiling, codifying, adopting and publishing:

6 The Prince George's County Code
7 (2023 Edition).

8 WHEREAS, Article III, Section 321 of the Charter for Prince George's County provides
9 that the County Council shall compile, codify, adopt, and publish a Code of laws of the County
10 in effect at such times at intervals not greater than four years; and

11 WHEREAS, the County Code was last published as the 2019 Edition; and

12 WHEREAS, it is informative to the citizens of the County to append to the County Code
13 the provisions of the County Charter and Laws relating to the Washington Suburban Transit
14 District; now, therefore,

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
16 Maryland, that the Prince George's County Code, 2023 Edition, be and the same is hereby
17 compiled, codified, adopted, and published:

18 (a) On and after the effective date of this Act, the Prince George's County Code, 2023
19 Edition, consisting of Subtitles 1 through 23, Subtitles 24A through 26A, and Subtitles 28
20 through 33, together with any additional Subtitles which may hereafter be enacted and any
21 current Supplement to the County Code which may be issued, shall be, with respect to the matter

1 set forth therein:

2 (1) Conclusive evidence of the text of the Prince George’s County Code and all
3 enactments dated on or before November 30, 2023.

4 (2) Prima facie evidence of:

5 (A) The Prince George’s County Charter, together with all amendments, and the
6 Schedule of Legislation accompanying the Charter.

7 (B) Article 17 of the Public Local Laws of Maryland as enacted by the General
8 Assembly of Maryland.

9 (C) All other County acts, ordinances, Code provisions, resolutions having the
10 force of law, and all other legislation enacted or adopted after November 30, 2023.

11 (b) Supplements to the Prince George’s County Code, 2023 Edition, shall be published
12 annually.

13 (c) The words “County Code” or “Code” shall be taken to mean the Prince George’s
14 County Code, 2023 Edition, together with any current Supplement, unless the content clearly
15 requires otherwise.

16 (d) The 2023 Edition of the Code supersedes previous editions thereof.

17 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the 2023 Edition of the Prince George’s
18 County Code shall take effect on the effective date of this Act. The master copy of the 2023
19 Edition of the Code shall be authenticated by the Council’s Legislative Officers and delivered as
20 a public record to the Clerk of the Council. The Clerk shall maintain the master copy together
21 with any Supplements thereto. A copy of the 2023 Edition of the Code shall be available at the
22 Office of the Clerk of the Council for public use during regular business hours.

23 SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the Council’s Legislative Officers are
24 authorized to make appropriate editorial amendments and corrections to sections contained in
25 Subtitle 4. Building to remove conflicts between references to the Building Code of the County.

26 SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the general penalty provided in Section
27 1-123 of the County Code shall apply to every offense or violation made unlawful by the County
28 Code unless a specific penalty therefor is otherwise provided by law.

29 SECTION 5. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect on forty-five (45)
30 calendar days after it becomes law.

Adopted this 19th day of November, 2024.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: Jolene Ivey
Jolene Ivey
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: December 18, 2024 BY: Tara H. Jackson
Tara H. Jackson
Acting 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.

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