

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**2016 Legislative Session**

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**Reference No.:** CB-063-2016  
**Draft No.:** 2  
**Committee:** PSFM  
**Date:** 10/13/2016  
**Action:** FAV (A)

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**REPORT: 1**

Committee Vote: Favorable as Amended, 5-0 (In Favor: Council Members Franklin, Patterson, Harrison, Lehman and Turner)

CB-063-2016 seeks to prohibit the parking, standing or selling of vehicles on certain roads and proposes to increase the penalty for violation of County parking regulations.

The bill proposes to establish the parking, and/or selling, or offering for sale a vehicle on a public road, County property, or County right of way, as unlawful. Subsequent to the issuance of a warning for the parking and/or selling or offering for sale a vehicle on a public road, County property or County right of way, a vehicle may be towed to a County storage facility. The bill also clarifies that vehicles may be deemed to be for sale based on circumstances, even if they do not display a "For sale" sign. Violators will be subject to a fine of up to \$1000.00, imprisonment, or both for each violation.

The bill was held in Committee on October 3, 2016 to review the State law and to work on possible amendments. During the Committee meeting on October 13<sup>th</sup> the bill was amended which resulted in a Draft 2. Amendments to CB-063-2016 (DR-2) are both technical and substantive. The substantive amendments define curbstoning using the State legal definition, which is summarized as a person acting as an unlicensed vehicle dealer. The amendments set forth criteria to assist in identifying curbstoning and the amendments identify enforcing agencies.

Further, the amendments remove the provision where three or more vehicles are for sale and/or offered for sale, by an unlicensed vehicle dealer, unless a vehicle is registered to an address within one eighth mile of the location of the vehicle, the vehicle may be towed.

The amendments require regulations to be promulgated by the enforcement agencies. Also, the amendments set certain fines regarding curbstoning.

Representatives which participated in the discussion include: Anthony Poteat of the Revenue Authority, Susan Hubbard and Bill Edelen of DPIE, and Angela Angel of DOE. During the Committee session held

October 3, 2016, the following speakers testified in support of the bill: Harold Mangold and James Benfer.

The Office of Audits and Investigations reports that enactment of CB-063-2016 may have a positive impact on the County related to any fines, towing or storage fees, exceeding the County's cost for towing or storing vehicles violating the proposed regulations.

After considerable discussion, the Public Safety and Fiscal Management Committee voted CB-063-2016 out favorably 5-0 as amended.