

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 11/19/96

**Reference No.:** CB-104-1996

**Proposer:** Gourdine

**Draft No.:** 2

**Sponsors:** Gourdine, Del Giudice

**Item Title:** An Act to require the impoundment of any animal which seriously injures a human being prior to a hearing by the Animal Control Commission

**Drafter:** Maurene Epps Webb  
Office of Law

**Resource Personnel:** Hubert Green  
Legislative Aide

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

**Date Presented:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Executive Action:** 12/2/96 S

**Committee Referral:**(1) 10/22/96 HEHS

**Effective Date:** 1/21/97

**Committee Action:**(1) 11/13/96 FAV

**Date Introduced:** 10/22/96

**Pub. Hearing Date:** (1) 11/19/96 1:30 PM

**Council Action:** (1) 11/19/96 Enacted

**Council Votes:** SD:A, DB:A, JE:A, IG:A, AMc:A, WM:A, RVR:A, AS:A, MW:A

**Pass/Fail:** P

**Remarks:** \_\_\_\_\_

11/19/96 - Amended on the Floor

**HEALTH, EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

DATE: 11/13/96

Committee Voted: **Favorable, 5-0** (In favor: Council Members Gourdine, Bailey, MacKinnon, Scott and Wilson).

Committee consensus was that at the point of Public Hearing to amend this bill to include the definition of "severe injury" as outlined in the California State law. "Severe injury" means any physical injury to a human being that results in muscle tears or disfiguring lacerations or requires multiple sutures or corrective or cosmetic surgery.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT**

**(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)**

This legislation will require a police officer or the Animal Control Administrator to impound a vicious animal that has seriously injured a human being prior to a hearing by the Animal Control Commission.

**CODE INDEX TOPICS:**