

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

2000 Legislative Session

Bill No. CB-24-2000

Chapter No. 14

Proposed and Presented by The Chairman (by request – County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Bailey, Wilson, Shapiro, Scott and Russell

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction April 4, 2000

EMERGENCY BILL

1 AN EMERGENCY ACT concerning

2 Fuel Surcharge for Taxicabs

3 For the purpose of authorizing the establishment of a fuel cost rate surcharge under certain
4 conditions and providing for the termination of this Act.

5 BY adding:

6 SUBTITLE 20. TAXICABS AND OTHER VEHICLES FOR HIRE.

7 Section 20-160.01,

8 The Prince George's County Code

9 (1999 Edition).

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
11 Maryland, that Section 20-160.01 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby
12 repealed and reenacted with the following amendments:

13 **SUBTITLE 20. TAXICABS AND OTHER VEHICLES FOR HIRE.**

14 **DIVISION 7. RATES AND METERS.**

15 **Sec. 20-160.01. Emergency Fuel Cost Surcharge.**

16 (a) If the County Executive finds that the average retail price of regular gasoline fuel in the
17 region has exceeded the price of \$1.45 per gallon, the County Executive, by Executive Order,
18 shall declare a Fuel Cost Emergency and shall authorize the Director of Business & Regulatory
19 Affairs to establish a Fuel Cost Emergency Surcharge.

20 (b) During such emergency, the Director may set an amount which may be charged per trip
21 in addition to the rates established in Section 20-160 of this Code.

1 (c) The fuel cost emergency surcharge shall be \$1.00 for each fare.

2 (d) The fuel cost emergency surcharge may not be charged to any person who is aged sixty
3 (60) and over.

4 (e) The fuel cost emergency surcharge may not be charged for any fare pursuant to a
5 County contract.

6 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that in accordance with the provisions of
7 Section 317 of the Charter, the County Council hereby declares that a public emergency exists
8 affecting the public health, safety, and welfare; said emergency being the need to adjust the
9 maximum taxicab rates that may be charged during a fuel cost emergency, in order to assure the
10 availability of taxicab transportation to meet the needs of the citizens of the County

11 SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect on the date it
12 becomes law and shall remain effective for a period of 120 days, at the end of which, with no
13 further action required by the County Council, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force
14 and effect.

Adopted this 25th day of April, 2000, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the full County Council.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Dorothy F. Bailey
Chair

ATTEST:

Joyce T. Sweeney
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Wayne K. Curry
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.