



# Prince George's County Council

## Agenda Item Summary

**Meeting Date:** 6/22/2026

**Effective Date:**

**Reference No.:** CB-038-2026

**Chapter Number:**

**Draft No.:** 1

**Public Hearing Date:** 06/22/2026 @ 10:30 AM

**Proposer(s):** Fisher

**Sponsor(s):** Fisher, Oriadha, Olson, Dernoga, Hunter and Adams-Stafford

**Item Title:** AN ACT CONCERNING IMPERSONATION OF UTILITY COMPANIES AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES for the purpose of amending the Prince George’s County code to supplement existing law that prohibits a person from falsely representing that a person is, or is acting on behalf of, a utility company or any local, state, or federal government; providing penalties for those violations; and generally relating to consumer protections and unlawful practices.

**Drafter:** Ramon Gonzalez, Legislative Attorney

**Resource Personnel:** Shanika Griffith, Chief of Staff, Council District 2

### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Acting Body:</b>	<b>Action:</b>	<b>Sent To:</b>
05/05/2026	County Council	presented and referred	PSHHS
	<b>Action Text:</b> This Council Bill was presented by Council Members Fisher and Adams-Stafford and referred to the Public Safety, Health and Human Services Committee.		
05/14/2026	PSHHS	Favorably recommended	County Council
	<b>Action Text:</b> A motion was made by Council Member Oriadha, seconded by Council Member Hunter, that this Council Bill be FAVORABLE. The motion carried by the following vote:  Aye: 3 Fisher, Hunter and Oriadha  Absent: 1 Blegay		
05/26/2026	County Council	introduced	
	<b>Action Text:</b> This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Oriadha, Olson, Dernoga and Hunter.		
06/22/2026	County Council	public hearing held	
	<b>Action Text:</b> The public hearing for this Council Bill was held.		

06/22/2026 County Council enacted

**Action Text:**

A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Vice Chair Olson, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 Oriadha, Olson, Adams-Stafford, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Ivey,  
Hunter and Adams

Absent: 2 Blegay and Burroughs

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**AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:**

02-156 02-146

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:**

This legislation is intended to protect Prince George's County residents from scams by people who falsely claim to be from a utility company or a government agency. These impersonation schemes are often used to pressure residents into making payments, sharing personal or account information, or allowing access to their property. The bill would make that conduct an unlawful practice under County law and establish penalties for violators.

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**Document(s):** B2026038, CB-038-2026 Report, CB-038-2026 PAFI