

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

**Meeting Date:** 9/17/96

**Reference No.:** CB-75-1996

**Proposer:** County Executive

**Draft No.:** 2

**Sponsors:** Scott, Bailey, Wilson, Russell

**Item Title:** An Act concerning Congregate Living Facilities for the Elderly or Physically Handicapped for the purpose of amending the requirements for admission and requiring the Health Officer to make certain assessments as to the appropriateness of congregate living for residents

**Drafter:** Bridgette Greer  
Office of Law

**Resource Personnel:** Arthur Thacher  
Health Officer

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

**Date Presented:** 7/2/96

**Executive Action:** 10/21/96 S

**Committee Referral:**(1) 7/2/96 HEHS

**Effective Date:** 12/5/96

**Committee Action:**(1) 9/11/96 FAV (A)

**Date Introduced:** 9/17/96

**Pub. Hearing Date:** (1) 10/8/96 1:30 P.M.

**Council Action:** (1) 10/8/96 Enacted

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

**Pass/Fail:** P

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

**HEALTH, EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Date: 9/11/96

Committee Voted: Favorable with Amendments, 3-0 (In favor: Council Members Bailey, MacKinnon, Scott and Wilson).

This is a Code cleanup bill to bring the County into compliance with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Fair Housing Amendment Act. The County's Code in this area predates ADA regulations. The intent here is to prevent litigation against the County for non-compliance with Federal Regulations.

The Legislative Officer proposed two amendments, requiring a Draft 2. After brief discussion, the Committee concurred with the suggested amendments and supported a Draft 2.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT**

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

This legislation will amend the requirements for the admission of a resident to a congregate living facility and require the Health Officer to make certain assessments as to the appropriateness of congregate living for residents.

The Office of Audits and Investigations suggests there should be no negative fiscal impact as a result of adopting CB-75-1995.

**CODE INDEX TOPICS:**