



# Prince George's County Council

## Agenda Item Summary

**Meeting Date:** 11/19/2024

**Effective Date:**

**Reference No.:** CB-076-2024

**Chapter Number:**

**Draft No.:** 1

**Public Hearing Date:** 11/19/2024 @ 10:00 AM

**Proposer(s):** County Executive

**Sponsor(s):** Harrison, Blegay, Burroughs, Hawkins, Oriadha, Dernoga, Fisher, Olson and Watson

**Item Title:** AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSPARENCY IN LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCOUNTABILITY for the purpose of delineating the current practices and understandings utilized to implement Section 2-537 and to ensure a consistent interpretation and clarifying that the law applies to both on-duty and off-duty conduct, aligning with the law enforcement general order.

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### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
09/10/2024	County Council	presented and referred	HHSPS
	<b>Action Text:</b> This Council Bill was presented by the Chair by the request of the County Executive and referred to the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee.		
10/03/2024	HHSPS	Favorably recommended	County Council
	<b>Action Text:</b> A motion was made by Vice Chair Hawkins, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:  Aye: 5 Fisher, Hawkins, Blegay, Olson and Watson		
10/22/2024	County Council	introduced	
	<b>Action Text:</b> This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Harrison, Blegay, Burroughs, Hawkins, Oriadha, Dernoga, Fisher, Olson and Watson.		

### AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

02-537

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:**

The proposed legislation clarifies that the scope of the law applies to both on and off-duty conduct, aligning with law enforcement general orders as long as the conduct is reasonably foreseeable within the scope of employment. Moreover, the legislation simplifies the original intent by focusing on civilian involvement rather than just civilian complaints.

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**Document(s):** B2024076, CB-076-2024 Report, CB-076-2024 PAFI, CB-076-2024 Transmittal, CB-076-2024 OOL Comment