

## THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL'S 2025 STATE LEGISLATIVE BILL DRAFTS

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**Unemployment Insurance for Caregivers** – This legislation would provide unemployment insurance for unpaid caregivers in Prince George's County. It would assist residents forced to choose between earning a living and being an unpaid caregiver. Many people simply quit the workforce altogether to devote themselves to unpaid caregiving. As such, they do not qualify for unemployment benefits.

**Required Inspection for Maryland Department of Health** – Require the Maryland Department of Health to inspect all assisted living facilities in Prince George's County every 60 days. The Maryland Department of Health shall provide a written report of all the inspections no later than 30 days to its website, as well as provide a copy of the report to the County Council for public review during a Board of Health meeting.

**Project Labor Agreement (PLA) for State-Funded Construction Projects**– Establish a law that requires all state-funded construction and construction on state-owned property in Prince George's County to have a PLA agreement.

**Termination of Service – Third Party Notification -** This legislation would amend state law, ensuring municipalities, counties, and landlords are notified when a termination of service request is issued from a utility.

**Maryland Reparations Commission** – Request the General Assembly to establish a Maryland Reparations Commission for African American descendants of those previously enslaved in this State. This commission would develop and administer a program that determines whether certain individuals whose ancestors were enslaved in the state are eligible to receive certain benefits.

**Speed Monitoring Systems on Maryland Route 210** – Bad actors have not been deterred from driving at dangerous speeds on Route 210 (Indian Head Highway). This bill increases civil penalties for violations recorded by speed monitoring systems on Maryland Route 210 in Prince George's County that are second or subsequent violations or that involve exceeding the maximum speed limit by certain amounts. Currently, unless the driver of the motor vehicle received a citation from a police officer at the time of the violation, the driver of a motor vehicle

is subject to a civil penalty that may not exceed \$40 if a speed monitoring system records the motor vehicle.

**Board of Appeals Amendment** – The purpose of this legislation is to eliminate the chance for a meeting to fail due to a lack of quorum. Moreover, this legislation will allow the Board of Appeals to bring in members as needed for transition purposes when others are leaving. We are proposing to change Md. Land Use Code Section 22-309(B) from "shall appoint 3 members" to "at least 3 members".

• For Reference - <u>Maryland Land Use Code Section 22-309 (2023) - Board of Appeals :: 2023 Maryland</u> <u>Code :: US Codes and Statutes :: US Law :: Justia</u>