

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

2022 Legislative Session

Bill No. CB-013-2022

Chapter No. 9

Proposed and Presented by Council Member Hawkins

Introduced by Council Members - Hawkins, Streeter, Glaros, Ivey, Franklin, Turner,
Dernoga, Harrison, and Taveras

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction March 29, 2022

BILL

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Code Adam – Alerts in County Buildings

3 For the purpose of establishing County agency requirements and procedures for responding to
4 missing, abducted and /or exploited children in County Buildings.

5 BY adding:

6 SUBTITLE 4. BUILDING.

7 Section 4-353.

8 The Prince George's County Code

9 (2019 Edition; 2021 Supplement).

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
11 Maryland, that Section 4-353 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby
12 added:

13 SUBTITLE 4. BUILDING.

14 DIVISION 5. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.

15 **Sec. 4-353. [Reserved] Code Adam Alerts in County Buildings.**

16 (a) Each County building that is open to the public shall have in place a Code Adam or
17 similar program for the prevention of child abduction. Code Adam is a protocol used as a
18 preventive tool against child abductions and for locating lost children in public buildings.

19 (1) The Office of Central Services shall develop model plans and ensure that each
20 County building covered by this Section is prepared to activate Code Adam or a similar

1 program under appropriate circumstances.

2 (2) All County agencies shall render assistance to the Office of Central Services, upon
3 request, in implementing this Section and the Office of Central Service’s plan within
4 their buildings.

5 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the provisions of this Act are hereby
6 declared to be severable; and, in the event that any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph,
7 sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of
8 competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining
9 words, phrases, clauses, sentences, subparagraphs, paragraphs, subsections, or sections of this
10 Act, since the same would have been enacted without the incorporation in this Act of any such
11 invalid or unconstitutional word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, subparagraph, subsection,
12 or section.

13 SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect forty-five (45)
14 calendar days after it becomes law.

Adopted this 26th day of April, 2022.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Calvin S. Hawkins, II
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____

BY: _____
Angela D. Alsobrooks
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.

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