

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**2002 Legislative Session**

Bill No. CB-12-2002  
 Chapter No. 6  
 Proposed and Presented by Council Member Scott  
 Introduced by Council Member Scott  
 Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Introduction March 26, 2002

**BILL**

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Special Assessment for Commercial Properties and Commercial Uses

3 For the purpose of clarifying the scope of application of the special assessment tax rate, and  
 4 exempting certain properties from payment of the special assessment tax rate for commercial  
 5 properties and commercial uses.

6 BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:

7 SUBTITLE 2. ADMINISTRATION.

8 Section 2-375,

9 The Prince George's County Code

10 (1999 Edition, 2001 Supplement).

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,  
 12 Maryland, that Section 2-375 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is repealed  
 13 and reenacted with the following amendments:

14 SUBTITLE 2. ADMINISTRATION.

15 DIVISION 22. URBAN AREAS.

16 Subdivision 1. General.

17 **Sec. 2-375. Tax levy for municipal functions.**

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19 (b) The special assessment taxes levied by the Council for the costs of garbage and trash  
 20 collection, removal and disposition, including site acquisition and operation shall be by an ad  
 21 valorem tax against all of the improved properties assessed for County tax purposes within the

1 area receiving trash and garbage removal and disposition service. The Council may in its  
2 discretion prescribe the method of payment and the rate of tax for the costs of the collection,  
3 removal and disposition of trash and garbage as follows: the basis of the tax to be the total costs  
4 of said service divided by the number of units served. The Council may vary the tax rate as  
5 between individual residential units and commercial establishments. Such decision as to any  
6 variance for such service by the Council shall be conclusive. For Fiscal Year 2002 and each year  
7 thereafter, the special assessments levied by the Council for the costs of garbage and trash  
8 collection, removal and disposition, including site acquisition and operation, shall not apply to  
9 property currently owned by organizations exempt from income taxes in accordance with Section  
10 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The special assessment tax shall also not apply to  
11 property currently owned by units or instrumentalities of the State of Maryland, the Maryland-  
12 National Capital Park and Planning Commission, the Washington Suburban Sanitary  
13 Commission, the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, properties currently owned  
14 by Prince George's County, or properties currently owned by any incorporated municipality  
15 within Prince George's County.

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1       SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect forty-five (45)  
2 calendar days after it becomes law.

Adopted this 23rd day of April, 2002.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Peter A. Shapiro  
Chair

ATTEST:

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Redis C. Floyd  
Acting Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Wayne K. Curry  
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.