

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**2010 Legislative Session**

Bill No. CB-87-2010

Chapter No. \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed and Presented by Council Member Dean

Introduced by \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Introduction \_\_\_\_\_

**BILL**

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Agriculture

3 For the purpose of amending the definition of agriculture and generally relating to agriculture.

4 BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:

5 SUBTITLE 4. BUILDING

6 Section 4-357,

7 The Prince George's County Code

8 (2007 Edition, 2009 Supplement).

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,  
10 Maryland, that Section 4-357 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby  
11 repealed and reenacted with the following amendments:

12 **SUBTITLE 4. BUILDING.**

13 **DIVISION 6. NONTIDAL WETLAND PROTECTION ORDINANCE.**

14 **Sec. 4-357. Definitions.**

15 (a) Applicability of definitions. The definitions contained in Subtitle 27 (Zoning) and  
16 Subtitle 4 (Building) Divisions 2 and 3 of this Code may apply to this Division and shall be  
17 supplemented by the definitions in Subsection (b) of this Section.

18 (b) Terms Defined. Wherever the following words are used in, or in conjunction with, the  
19 administration of this Division, they shall have the meaning ascribed to them in this Section.

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1           (4) **Agriculture** [means a land use dominated by the production of food, fiber,  
2 aquaculture or livestock, and other products cultivated as part of a recognized commercial  
3 enterprise.] The business, science and art of cultivating and managing the soil, composting,  
4 growing, harvesting, and selling crops, livestock and the products of forestry, horticulture,  
5 floriculture, viticulture, hydroponics, animal husbandry, i.e., breeding, raising, or managing  
6 livestock, including horses, poultry, fish, game, and fur-bearing animals, dairying, beekeeping  
7 and similar activities. Agriculture includes processing on the farm of an agricultural product in  
8 the course of preparing the product for market, which may cause a change in the natural form or  
9 state of the product. Agriculture includes equine activities and equine facilities. Equine activities  
10 includes teaching equestrian skills, participating in equestrian events, competitions, exhibitions  
11 or other displays of equestrian skills, and caring for, breeding, boarding, dealing, selling, renting,  
12 riding or training equines. Equine facilities include barns, stables, rings, paddocks or accessory  
13 buildings or structures used for equine activities. The term “Agriculture” shall not include the  
14 commercial feeding of garbage or offal to animals, the slaughtering of livestock for marketing, or  
15 the disposal of sludge except for fertilization of crops, horticultural products, or floricultural  
16 products in connection with an active agricultural operation or home gardening.

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

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas E. Dernoga  
Chair

ATTEST:

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Redis C. Floyd  
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jack B. Johnson  
County Executive