



Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 9/17/2024

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Chapter Number:

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Public Hearing Date:

Proposer(s): County Executive

Sponsor(s):

Item Title: AN ACT CONCERNING VEHICLE NOISE ABATEMENT MONITORING - PILOT PROGRAM for the purpose of establishing a pilot program to authorize the use of noise abatement monitoring systems in the County to better assist the Prince George's County Police Department in enforcing certain motor vehicle noise requirements.

Drafter: Major Anthony Cline, Prince George's County Police Department

Resource Personnel: Major Anthony Cline, Prince George's County Police Department

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
09/17/2024	County Council	presented and referred	HHSPS

Action Text:

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.

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

Consistent with State enabling legislation (Chapter 624 of the 2024 Laws of Maryland), this Bill establishes a Vehicle Noise Abatement Monitoring Pilot Program managed by the Prince George's County Police Department.

The purpose of the Noise Abatement Monitoring System Pilot Program is to better assist the Prince George's County Police Department in enforcing certain motor vehicle noise requirements. The Pilot Program will focus on vehicles that have been altered with aftermarket exhaust systems that are designed to produce excessive noise. These exhaust systems are an increasing source of resident complaints that affect the overall quality of life. Though existing Local and State laws are in place, identifying and catching violators has been challenging, if not impossible.

This pilot program will allow the Police Department to properly evaluate this technology to see if it's a viable enforcement option that will benefit the County and improve the quality of life for Prince Georgians.

This pilot program will last two years and require the collection of certain data. That data will be reported to the Governor through October 1, 2025. This program will allow the Police Department to properly evaluate this technology to see if it's a viable enforcement tool.

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