

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session _____ 1990 _____

Bill No. _____ CB-79-1990 _____

Chapter No. _____ 64 _____

Proposed and Presented by The Chairman (by request -
County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Casula, Wineland, Pemberton,
Castaldi, and Bell

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction _____ July 10, 1990 _____

BILL

AN ACT concerning

Public Parking

FOR the purpose of increasing the fines for certain meter and parking violations and authorizing the Parking Authority to enforce the parking laws on such public parking facilities or streets and highways as may be designated by Executive Order.

BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:

SUBTITLE 26. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.

- Sections 26-126,
- 26-127,
- 26-132,
- 26-134,
- 26-145, and
- 26-149.1,

The Prince George's County Code
(1987 Edition, 1989 Supplement).

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the

County Council of Prince George
's County, Maryland, that Sections 26-126, 26-127, 26-132, 26- 134,
26-145 and 26-149.1 of the Prince George's County Code be and the
same are hereby repealed and reenacted with the following
amendments:

SUBTITLE 26. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.

DIVISION 8. PARKING REGULATIONS.

Sec. 26-126. Standing in loading zones.

(a) No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle for any purpose or length of time other than for the expeditious unloading and delivery or pick-up and loading of materials in any place marked as a loading zone during hours when the provisions applicable to such zones are in effect. In no case shall the stop for loading and unloading of property exceed thirty (30) minutes.

(b) The driver of a passenger vehicle may stop temporarily at a loading zone for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers when such stopping does not interfere with any vehicle which is waiting to enter or about to enter such zone to load or unload property.

(c) Any person issued a citation for a violation of this Section shall be subject to a fine of [ten dollars (\$10.00)] Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each violation.

Sec. 26-127. Standing or parking restricted at bus stops.

(a) The Director is hereby authorized to approve or disapprove the location of bus stops or rescind or modify any prior approval heretofore given.

(b) No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle other than a bus within thirty (30) feet of a bus stop, except that a driver of a passenger vehicle may temporarily stop therein for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers when such stopping does not interfere with any bus waiting to enter or about to enter such zone. Any person issued a citation for a violation of this subsection shall be subject to a fine of [ten dollars (\$10.00)] Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each violation.

Sec. 26-132. Use of parking meters; impounding; penalty.

(a) No person shall park, store or leave any vehicle of any kind, whether attended or not, and no owner of any vehicle shall allow, permit or suffer the vehicle to be parked, stored or left, whether attended or not, upon any property upon which have been erected parking meters by the Director except in strict conformance with the designated use, time and other conditions appearing on or about any parking meters erected thereon.

(b) Any vehicle found parked, stored or left in violation of the conditions found on or about any parking meter may be impounded by the Police Department or any County work force. The impoundment of the vehicle shall be done pursuant to Division 18 of Subtitle 26 of this Code.

(c) Any person issued a citation for a violation of this Section shall be subject to a fine of [not more than five dollars (\$5.00)] Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) for each offense.

Sec. 26-134. Enforcement of parking regulations.

(a) It shall be the duty of the Police Officers of the County,

or any other County employees specifically designated by the County Executive to enforce the provisions of this Division.

(b) The Prince George's County Parking Authority may designate persons to enforce the provisions of this Division for property owned or operated by the Prince George's County Parking Authority or other such public parking facilities or streets and highways as may be designated by Executive Order and approved by the County Council for enforcement by the Parking Authority.

DIVISION 11. PUBLIC PARKING AREAS.

Sec. 26-145. Parking regulations -- public parking facilities.

(a) Except temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading passengers or for emergency repairs when the vehicle cannot be driven, no person shall park any vehicle on a public parking facility:

(1) In violation of any of the other parking provisions of this Subtitle;

(2) In a "no parking zone" when posted by sign or indicated by yellow painted curb or yellow painted lines on the parking surface;

(3) Any place not otherwise designated by painted parking spaces or otherwise prohibited including driving aisles, driveways, raised curb channelization structures, sidewalks, landscaped areas, islands, etc.;

(4) In an area where parking is temporarily prohibited when marked off by temporary signs or barricades or when an official cover or hood is placed over a parking meter;

(5) So as to prevent another vehicle already stopped or otherwise legally parked in a designated parking space, from moving away;

(6) For a period longer than twenty-four hours;

(7) By backing said vehicle into a parking space when posted by "Front In Only" signs.

(8) In such a manner as to cause said vehicle to straddle the painted lines marking a parking space or otherwise cause the vehicle to be parked not wholly within the area of one designated parking space;

(9) And leave it unattended without first stopping the engine, locking the ignition, removing the key, and effectively setting the brake thereon; or

(10) In such a manner so as to impede or obstruct the free flow of traffic or to cause a hazard to public safety.

(b) Any person issued a citation for a violation of this section shall be subject to a fine of [ten dollars (\$10.00)] Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each violation.

Sec. 26-149.1. The Prince George's County Parking Authority.

The Prince George's County Parking Authority may designate persons to enforce the provisions of this Division for public parking facilities owned, leased, or operated by the Prince George's County Parking Authority or such other public parking facilities or streets and highways as may be designated by Executive Order and approved by the County Council for enforcement by the Parking Authority.

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

Adopted this 31st day of July, 1990.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Jo Ann T. Bell
Chairman

ATTEST:

Jean M. Schmuhl, CMC
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: August 13, 1990

BY: _____
Parris N. Glendening
County Executive

EFFECTIVE: SEPTEMBER 28, 1990

KEY:

Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.