

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2026 Legislative Session

Bill No. CB-007-2026

Chapter No. _____

Proposed and Presented by Council Members Oriadha and Olson

Introduced by _____

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction _____

EMERGENCY BILL

1 AN EMERGENCY ACT concerning

2 Resident Kidnapping Protection Act

3 For the purpose of providing that County residents may call for Prince George's County Police
4 Department verification of the identity and authority of persons engaging in immigration
5 enforcement activity; making certain findings and defining certain terms; requiring a certain
6 police response; requiring public outreach about this police service; and generally relating to
7 police and immigration enforcement.

8 BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:

9 SUBTITLE 18. POLICE.

10 Section 18-125,

11 The Prince George's County Code

12 (2023 Edition; 2025 Supplement).

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
14 Maryland, that Section 18-125 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby
15 repealed and reenacted with amendments:

16 SUBTITLE 18. POLICE.

17 DIVISION 4. MISCELLANEOUS POLICE MATTERS.

18 **Sec. 18-125. [Reserved.]Federal immigration enforcement activity verification.**

19 (a) Legislative findings. The County Council finds that:

20 (1) federal agents disguising their identities and using ruses such as the impersonation
21 of local police officers while engaging in immigration enforcement activity poses a significant

1 threat to the safety and well-being of County residents and visitors;

2 (2) the normalization of the seizure and removal of individuals by armed masked men
3 without appropriate identification increases the risk of kidnapping and human trafficking of
4 County residents and visitors; and

5 (3) the Prince George’s County Police Department General Order Manual requires
6 officers to “serve to protect and safeguard lives and property; protect the community from
7 deception, oppression, intimidation, violence, and disorder; and protect the Constitutional rights
8 of all citizens to liberty, equality, and justice.”

9 (b) Definitions. In this section, the following terms have the meanings indicated.

10 (1) **Immigration enforcement activity** means any and all efforts to investigate,
11 enforce, or assist in the investigation or enforcement of any federal civil immigration law, and
12 also includes any and all efforts to investigate, enforce, or assist in the investigation or
13 enforcement of any federal criminal immigration law that penalizes a person’s presence in, entry,
14 or reentry to, or employment in, the United States, including but not limited to efforts to identify
15 or apprehend persons for purposes of subjecting them to immigration detention and/or removal
16 from the United States.

17 (2) **Police Chief** means the Chief of the Prince George’s County Police Department.

18 (3) **Police Department** means the Prince George’s County Police Department.

19 (b) Calls for service. A person observing immigration enforcement activity in the County
20 may call 9-1-1 to request assistance from the Police Department to verify the identity of persons
21 engaged in such activity.

22 (c) Police response. Upon receipt of a call for immigration enforcement verification,
23 responding officers must:

24 (1) request identifying information from any person engaging in immigration
25 enforcement activity;

26 (2) request to see any judicial warrant or other source of authority for the action; and

27 (3) document the names, badge numbers, and agencies of the individuals engaging in
28 immigration enforcement activity;

29 (4) when applicable, provide the caller with materials related to available immigrant
30 legal resources; and

31 (5) when necessary, ensure that emergency medical response is provided.

1 (d) Outreach. The Chief of Police shall institute a public outreach program to inform
2 County residents and business owners of the Department’s immigration enforcement activity
3 verification service.

4 (e) Reporting. The Chief of Police shall report to the County Council quarterly on the
5 number of calls received for immigration enforcement activity verification and the outcomes of
6 the Department’s responses.

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

15 SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that in accordance with the provisions of
16 Section 317 of the Charter, the County Council hereby declares that a public emergency exists
17 affecting the public health, safety, and welfare; said emergency being the threat posed to the
18 community by unlawful federal immigration enforcement activity and the potential for
19 kidnapping and human trafficking activity due to the way federal agencies conduct immigration
20 enforcement activity.

21 SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect on the date it
22 becomes law.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2026, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of
the members of the full County Council.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Krystal Oriadha
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Aisha N. Braveboy
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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