

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

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**Meeting Date:** 11/21/2000

**Reference No.:** CB-85-2000

**Proposer:** Shapiro

**Draft No.:** 1

**Sponsors:** Shapiro

**Item Title:** An Act concerning Secondhand and Pawn Dealers  
providing hours of operation for licensed dealers  
and prohibiting the use of drive-up windows and  
similar services

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**Drafter:** Ralph E. Grutzmacher  
Legislative Officer

**Resource** Cheryl Harrington  
**Personnel:** Legislative Aide

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**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

**Date Presented:** 9/26/2000

**Executive Action:** 12/12/2000 S

**Committee Referral:** 9/26/2000 PSFM

**Effective Date:** 1/29/2001

**Committee Action:** 10/19/2000 FAV

**Date Introduced:** 10/24/2000

**Public Hearing:** 11/21/2000 1:30 P.M.

**Council Action:** 11/21/2000 ENACTED

**Council Votes:** DB:A, JE:A, IG:A, TH:A, WM:A, RVR:-, AS:A, PS:A, MW:A

**Pass/Fail:** P

**Remarks:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**PUBLIC SAFETY & FISCAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT** Date: 10/19/00

Committee Vote: Favorable, 4-0, (In favor: Council Members Wilson, Maloney, Russell and Scott).

This bill will restrict the hours of operation of a pawn dealer or a secondhand dealer from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and will prohibit the use of a drive-up window or other practice, service or device that would enable a patron to conduct business from a motor vehicle without leaving the motor vehicle.

The President of A-I Pawnbrokers stated that he has no objection to this legislation and welcomes the restriction of the hours of operation.

There should not be any negative fiscal impact on the County as a result of enacting CB-85-2000.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT**

**(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)**

The proposed restrictions on hours of operation and the use of drive-up windows will assist the Police Department to recover stolen property without burdening law-abiding persons offering personal property as collateral.

**CODE INDEX TOPICS:**