

Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 11/19/2024 Effective Date: Reference No.: CB-098-2024 Chapter Number:

Draft No.: 3 **Public Hearing Date:** 11/19/2024 @ 10:00 AM

Proposer(s): Watson

Sponsor(s): Watson, Hawkins, Ivey, Dernoga, Fisher, Olson, Burroughs, Harrison, Oriadha

and Blegay

Item Title: AN ACT CONCERNING BUSINESSES AND LICENSES - SHOPPING CART

CONTROL for the purpose of keeping shopping carts out of communities by requiring retail businesses to label and equip shopping carts with control devices; imposing penalties on non-complaint businesses; providing for appeals of such

penalties; and authorizing the promulgation of implementing regulations.

Drafter: Eric Irving

Resource Personnel:

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
09/24/2024	County Council	presented and referred	TIEE
	Action Text: This Council Bill was presented by Council Member Watson and referred to the Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee.		

10/10/2024 TIEE Favorably County Council

recommended with

amendments

Action Text:

A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Burroughs, that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended with amendments. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 Olson, Burroughs, Dernoga and Fisher

Excused: 1 Harrison

10/22/2024 County Council amended (1)

Action Text:

A motion was made by Vice Chair Harrison, seconded by Council Member Olson, that this Council Bill be amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 Ivey, Harrison, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent: 1 Dernoga

10/22/2024 County Council amended (2)

Action Text:

A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Burroughs, that this Council Bill be amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

10/22/2024 County Council introduced

Action Text:

This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Watson, Hawkins, Ivey, Dernoga, Fisher, Olson, Burroughs, Harrison, Oriadha and Blegay.

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

05-282 05-281 05-275 05-276 05-277 05-278 05-279 05-280

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

The purpose of this bill is to address the public nuisance created by abandoned shopping carts by requiring retail business owners to take reasonable steps to prevent their removal. The bill requires large retail establishments to install security mechanisms to restrict carts from leaving the business premises by May 2025. Additionally, the bill imposes a daily fine on business owners who fail to retrieve carts found in the community within three business days. Finally, the bill authorizes DPIE to carry out compliance inspections and develop regulations to implement this legislation.

Document(s): B2024098, CB-098-2024 Report, CB-098-2024 PAFI, CB-098-2024 OOL Comments