



# Prince George's County Council

## Agenda Item Summary

**Meeting Date:** 10/22/2024

**Effective Date:**

**Reference No.:** CB-082-2024

**Chapter Number:**

**Draft No.:** 1

**Public Hearing Date:**

**Proposer(s):** Oriadha

**Sponsor(s):** Oriadha

**Item Title:** AN ACT CONCERNING COMMERCIAL PROPERTY STANDARDS for the purpose of prohibiting linear lights in commercial storefronts to reduce the harmful effects of light pollution on Prince George’s County residents and neighborhoods.

**Drafter:** Eric Irving, Fiscal & Legislative Specialist

**Resource Personnel:**

### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
09/17/2024	County Council	presented and referred	COW
	<b>Action Text:</b> This Council Bill was presented by Council Member Oriadha and referred to the Committee of the Whole.		
10/01/2024	COW	Held in Committee	
	<b>Action Text:</b> A motion was made by Council Member Oriadha, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Council Bill be held. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 9 Ivey, Harrison, Dernoga, Blegay, Burroughs, Fisher, Olson, Oriadha and Watson Absent: 1 Hawkins		
10/15/2024	COW	rescheduled to a later date	
	<b>Action Text:</b> This Council Bill was rescheduled to a later date		

### AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

The purpose of this bill is to prohibit LED string lights in commercial storefronts, which have become ubiquitous to certain areas of Prince George’s County. These lights, especially those which shine throughout the night, disturb the quiet enjoyment of neighboring residential areas. As a violation of property standards, the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement will be authorized to

serve notice and fine property owners who fail to remove these LED string lights.

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**Document(s):** B2024082, CB-082-2024 PAFI, CB-082-2024 Public Comments 10012024 COW