

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

2026 Legislative Session

Bill No. CB-007-2026

Chapter No. 4

Proposed and Presented by Council Members Oriadha and Olson

Introduced by Council Members Oriadha, Olson, Adams-Stafford, Hunter, Adams, Harrison, Dernoga and Ivey

Co-Sponsors Council Member Blegay

Date of Introduction March 17, 2026

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15 repealed and reenacted with amendments: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

1 of local police officers while engaging in immigration enforcement activity poses a significant  
 2 threat to the safety and well-being of County residents and visitors;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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


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

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

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

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April , 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:

  
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Donna J. Brown  
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Aisha N. Braveboy  
County Executive

THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE HAVING FAILED TO RETURN THIS BILL WITH EITHER  
HER APPROVAL OR VETO WITHIN TEN (10) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF ITS  
PRESENTATION TO HER, THIS BILL BECAME LAW ON APRIL 29, 2026

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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