

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2015 Legislative Session

Bill No. CB-96-2015

Chapter No. _____

Proposed and Presented by Council Members Toles and Patterson

Introduced by _____

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction _____

BILL

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Rental Housing

3 For the purpose of requiring a safety and security plan for the issuance and renewal of
4 multifamily rental facility licenses for owners of multifamily rental facilities of ten (10) or more
5 units and generally relating to multifamily rental facility licenses.

6 BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:

7 SUBTITLE 13. HOUSING AND PROPERTY

8 STANDARDS.

9 Section 13-182,

10 The Prince George's County Code

11 (2011 Edition; 2014 Supplement).

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
13 Maryland, that Section 13-182 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby
14 repealed and reenacted with the following amendments:

15 **SUBTITLE 13. HOUSING AND PROPERTY STANDARDS.**

16 **DIVISION 4. RENTAL HOUSING.**

17 **Sec. 13-182. License application; existing or new premises.**

18 (a) The legal owner of record of each existing single-family rental facility or multifamily
19 rental facility shall make written application to the Director for a license for such use, on a form
20 to be supplied by the Director and containing such information as necessary to administer and
21 enforce the provisions of, and to insure compliance with the provisions of, this Division and the

1 Housing Code in its entirety. Such information shall include, but shall not be limited to, the
2 name and address of the owner's mortgage holder. There shall be a continuing obligation on the
3 part of the license holder to update the information on the application and/or to supply
4 information not previously submitted. In addition, the legal owner of record of each such
5 multifamily rental facility newly constructed shall make written application to the Director for a
6 license, as herein provided, prior to any initial occupancy.

7 (b) No license for a single-family rental facility will be granted until the premises meets
8 the minimum standards of the County Code.

9 (c) Before any application for an initial license or renewal shall be granted for a
10 multifamily rental facility having ten (10) or more units, the legal owner of record shall submit a
11 safety and security plan for review and approval by the Police Department. The safety and
12 security plan shall mean a document prepared under the direction of the applicant which
13 minimally includes but is not limited to a plan for operable and recordable security surveillance
14 cameras at all points of ingress and egress to the property. The Police Department is authorized
15 to establish criteria for approval of the safety and security plan. The criteria may be based on the
16 concept of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) to promote the
17 prevention and reduction of crime in multifamily rental facilities of ten (10) or more units
18 through the utilization of natural surveillance, natural access control, territorial reinforcement
19 and maintenance principles. The safety and security plan shall be acted on within thirty (30)
20 days of submission by the applicant. At all times, the legal owner of record of a multifamily
21 rental facility having ten (10) or more units shall maintain the facility in full compliance with the
22 provisions of the approved safety and security plan. If the safety and security plan is not
23 maintained, the applicant's license is subject to suspension or revocation pursuant to Section 13-
24 187.

25 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect forty-five (45)
26 calendar days after it becomes law.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2015.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Mel Franklin
Chairman

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Rushern L. Baker, III
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.