



Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

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Proposer(s): Ivey

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Item Title: AN EMERGENCY ACT CONCERNING EXTENDING CURRENT LIMITATIONS AGAINST RENT INCREASES, LATE FEES & PENALTIES FOR ONE YEAR AFTER THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH CRISES ENDS for the purpose of Extending Current Limitations Against Rent Increases, Late Fees & Penalties for One Year After The COVID-19 Public Health Crises Ends

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

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AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

This Emergency Legislation will extend the protections for tenants as we recover from the catastrophic health emergency declared by the Governor in March 2020 and the Centers For Disease Control and Prevention in August of (ending in October of 2021) in response to the COVID-19 pandemic as described in CB-16-2020, CB-52-2020 and CB-58-2020. It will extend (1) the current prohibition of rent increases for tenants with substantial loss of income from 90 days after the end of the emergency to end 1 year after the end of the emergency; (2) the prohibition against late fees or penalties for any tenant from 90 days to 1 year after the emergency; and (3) the limitation of rent increases to an amount that does not exceed 2.6 percent per annum of the current-existing rent amount for any tenant in the County even if the tenant has not suffered loss of income because of the pandemic for One Year after the pandemic ends.

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