

Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date:	11/14/2006
Reference No.:	CB-080-2006
Draft No.:	2
Proposer(s):	County Executive
Sponsor(s):	Bland, Dernoga, Dean, Peters
Item Title:	An Act amending Subtitle 11, Fire Safety Code to adopt the latest version of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Life Safety Code 101 and the Fire Prevention Code for the State of Maryland and to adopt local amendments to the County's Fire Safety Code

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:	10/3/2006	Executive Action:	12/5/2006 S
Committee Referral:	10/3/2006 - PSFM	Effective Date:	1/22/2007

Committee Action: 10/11/2006 - FAV(A)

Date Introduced: 10/17/2006

Public Hearing: 11/14/2006 - 10:00 AM

Council Action (1) 11/14/2006 - ENACTED

Council Votes: MB:A, WC:A, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:A, DCH:A, TH:A, TK:A, DP:A

Pass/Fail: P

Remarks:

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

11-102, 11-103, 11-104, 11-105, 11-109, 11-111, 11-112, 11-113, 11-116, 11-150, 11-151, 11-152, 11-154, 11-155, 11-156, 11-157, 11-158, 11-159, 11-160, 11-161, 11-163, 11-201, 11-202, 11-203, 11-204, 11-205, 11-206, 11-207, 11-251, 11-252, 11-253, 11-253.01, 11-254, 11-255, 11-256, 11-257, 11-258, 11-259, 11-260, 11-263, 11-264, 11-266, 11-267, 11-268, 11-271, 11-272, 11-273, 11-275, 11-276, 11-277, 11-278, 11-279, 11-280, 11-281, 11-282, 11-283, 11-288, 11-289, 11-291, 11-292, 11-294, 11-295, 11-345, 11-346, 11-347, 28-262

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC SAFETY & FISCAL MANAGEMENT

Date 10/11/2006

Committee Vote: Favorable as amended, 5-0, (In favor: Councilmembers Peters, Campos, Dean, Harrington and Knotts.)

This bill will amend the County's Fire Safety Code, Subtitle 11, to conform to the most recent National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Life Safety Code 101 as amended by the Fire Prevention Code for the State of Maryland.

The amended Fire Safety Code will allow the county to provide the best possible fire prevention and life safety strategies for the citizens and residents of the County. Through these amendments to the Code the County will maintain consistency with the State and other jurisdictions.

The legislation was amended as follows:

On page 25, add a bracket [before NFPA-40.

On page 30, line 1 add:

NFPA-96 Standard for Ventilation Control and Fire Protection of Commercial Cooking Operations

On page 57, line 19, after Correctional, add (fee may be waived)

The Office of Law has reviewed the bill and find it to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its enactment.

The fiscal impact on the county will be positive in the amount of approximately \$2,250,000 over the current annual levels for both the new fire inspection fees and the expanded emergency transport fees. These net additional revenues may be offset by the costs of hiring additional employees in the Fire/EMS Department.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

This legislation adopts the most recent National Fire Protection Association Life Safety Code 101 and the State of Maryland Fire Prevention Code and provides local amendments to Subtitle 11, Fire Safety, to be used for the fire prevention and life safety inspections performed by the Prince George's County Fire/EMS Department. The adoption of these codes and the local amendments will enable the Prince George's County Fire/EMS Department to utilize the most up-to-date fire prevention and life safety regulations in performing occupancy or structure inspections.

CODE INDEX TOPICS:

INCLUSION FILES:
