

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
**2014 Legislative Session**

Bill No. CB-66-2014

Chapter No. 60

Proposed and Presented by The Chairman (by request – Planning Board)

Introduced by Council Member Franklin

Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Introduction September 30, 2014

**BILL**

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Tree Canopy Coverage Ordinance – Exemptions

3 For the purpose of providing certain exemptions from requirements of the Tree Canopy  
4 Coverage Ordinance set forth in Subtitle 25 of the County Code for properties located within the  
5 Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Overlay Zones of the County.

6 BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:

7 SUBTITLE 25. TREES AND VEGETATION.

8 Section 25-127,

9 The Prince George's County Code

10 (2011 Edition; 2013 Supplement).

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,  
12 Maryland, that Section 25-127 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby  
13 repealed and reenacted with the following amendments:

14 SUBTITLE 25. TREES AND VEGETATION.

15 DIVISION 3. TREE CANOPY COVERAGE ORDINANCE.

16 Sec. 25-127. Applicability.

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18 (b) Exemptions

19 (1) The following are exempt from this Division:

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1 (E) Properties located in the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Overlay Zones[.]  
2 unless a permit is submitted in conformance with Section 5B-116(a)(2).

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

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect January 1, 2015.  
Adopted this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mel Franklin  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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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.