

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2025 Legislative Session

Bill No. CB-038-2025

Chapter No. _____

Proposed and Presented by The Chair (by request – County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Ivey, Fisher, Dernoga, Oriadha, Burroughs,
Blegay, Olson and Watson

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction May 27, 2025

BILL

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Impoundment and Notices to Owners

3 For the purpose of amending the impoundment section and notice to vehicular owners to align
 4 the notice period with state law.

5 BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:

6 SUBTITLE 26. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.

7 Section 26-168,

8 The Prince George's County Code

9 (2023 Edition; 2024 Supplement).

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
 11 Maryland, that Section 26-168 of the Prince George's County Code be the same is hereby repealed
 12 and reenacted with the following amendments:

13 SUBTITLE 26. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.

14 DIVISION 18. IMPOUNDMENT.

15 **Sec. 26-168. Impoundment; notice to owner.**

16 (a) Within [two (2)] seven (7) full County working days after impoundment any vehicle
 17 pursuant to Section 26-166(a)(1) through (7) of this Code, the police department {or Revenue
 18 Authority} Department of Environment, or their designee shall mail a notice by registered mail
 19 to the last known registered owner of the vehicle and to each secured property, as may be
 20 disclosed by the vehicle license number, if such be obtainable, and to any other person who

1 claims the right to possession of the vehicle, if such claim is actually known to an officer, agent,
2 or employee of the police department who has knowledge of the impoundment. If a police
3 officer who has knowledge of the impoundment has reason to believe that an owner or one who
4 claims the right to possession of the vehicle is residing or is in custody at some different address
5 which is known to the officer, a copy of the notice shall also be mailed by regular mail to such
6 owner or claimant at the known address. If a vehicle is redeemed prior to the mailing of such
7 notice, then notice need not be mailed.

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 this Act shall take effect forty-five (45)
17 calendar days after it becomes law.
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Adopted this 17th day of June, 2025.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Edward P. Burroughs, III
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Tara H. Jackson
Acting 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.

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