

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

Bill No. CB-019-2025

Chapter No. _____

Proposed and Presented by Council Members Burroughs and Oriadha

Introduced by _____

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction _____

BILL

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Speed Humps and Speed Monitoring Systems

3 For the purpose of providing for the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program; providing for
4 traffic studies to evaluate the installation of speed humps on residential streets; providing for
5 certain requests; providing for the timeline for the process of conducting a traffic study and
6 making a determination on whether to install speed humps; providing for appropriate approvals
7 for speed humps; providing for a reporting timeline for a final decision on the installation of
8 speed monitoring systems; providing for a reporting timeline for a final decision on the
9 installation of residential district speed monitoring systems; and generally regarding street humps
10 and speed monitoring systems.

11 BY adding:

12 SUBTITLE 26. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.

13 Section 26-108.02,

14 The Prince George's County Code

15 (2023 Edition; 2024 Supplement).

16 BY repealing and reenacting with amendments:

17 SUBTITLE 26. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.

18 Sections 2-114.01 and 2-114.02,

19 The Prince George's County Code

20 (2023 Edition; 2024 Supplement).

1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
2 Maryland, that Section 26-108.02 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby
3 added:

4 **SUBTITLE 26. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.**

5 **DIVISION 2. TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES.**

6 **Sec. 26-108.02. Speed humps; traffic calming devices.**

7 (a) There is the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP) for residential
8 streets that represents the commitment of Prince George's County and the Department of Public
9 Works and Transportation to promoting and encouraging the safety and livability of the County's
10 residential communities. In an effort to reduce the impact of traffic on our neighborhoods, the
11 NTMP provides a process for identifying, evaluating, and addressing undesirable traffic
12 conditions related to speeding and excessive cut through traffic volumes.

13 (b) The NTMP provides for a traffic study to assist in the evaluation of residential streets
14 for consideration of speed humps, a traffic calming device which is a physical highway measure
15 to reduce speed and increase safety. According to NTMP guidelines, Councilmembers can
16 request a traffic study, which can lead to the implementation of traffic calming measures.

17 (c) According to NTMP guidelines, for a determination of the eligibility pursuant to a
18 traffic study initiated for a speed hump request of a Homeowner's Association (HOA) and the
19 associated County Councilmember, the Department of Public Works and Transportation shall
20 have up to six months to initiate the process of conducting the study and making a determination
21 of whether to install speed humps.

22 (d) The installation of speed humps may only be used at a location approved by the Prince
23 George's County Council, by resolution.

24 SECTION 2. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
25 Maryland, that Sections 26-114.01 and 26-114.02 of the Prince George's County Code be and the
26 same are hereby repealed and reenacted with the following amendments:

27 **SUBTITLE 26. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.**

28 **DIVISION 4. SPEED REGULATIONS.**

29 **Sec. 26-114.01. - Authority to install and utilize speed monitoring systems.**

30 (a) Pursuant to Section 21-809 of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of
31 Maryland, as may be amended from time to time, Prince George's County is authorized to use

1 Speed Monitoring Systems to regulate traffic.

2 (b) The Director, in conjunction with the Chief of Police, and the County Council is
 3 authorized to determine those locations where speed monitoring systems are to be installed.

4 (c) The Director shall respond, in writing, within six months of a request from a County
 5 Councilmember, as to a final decision regarding whether the Department will install speed
 6 monitoring systems on a particular location of roadway and include an estimated time for
 7 installation.

8 [(c)] (d) All speed monitoring systems shall conform to, and be used in accordance with,
 9 the requirements of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

10 **Sec. 26-114.02. - Authority to install and utilize residential district speed monitoring**
 11 **systems.**

12 (a) Pursuant to Section 21-809 of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of
 13 Maryland, as may be amended from time to time, Prince George's County is authorized to use
 14 Speed Monitoring Systems, as set forth in Section 26-114.01 of this Code and Residential
 15 District Speed Monitoring Systems as set forth in Section 26-114.02 of this Code to regulate
 16 traffic.

17 (b) "Residential district" means an area that: (1) Is not a business district; and (2) Adjoins
 18 and includes a highway where the property along the highway, for a distance of at least 300 feet,
 19 is improved mainly with residences or residences and buildings used for business, pursuant to
 20 Section 21-101 of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

21 (c) Section 21-809 of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland
 22 applies to a violation of Subtitle 8, Speed Restrictions of the Transportation Article of the
 23 Annotated Code of Maryland, as applied in Prince George's County, recorded by a speed
 24 monitoring system that meets the requirements of Section 21-809 and has been placed in Prince
 25 George's County, on a highway in a residential district, as defined in Section 21-101 of the
 26 Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, with a maximum posted speed limit
 27 of up to and including 35 miles per hour, which speed limit was established using generally
 28 accepted traffic engineering practices.

29 (d) A residential district speed monitoring system may not be used in a local jurisdiction
 30 under Section 21-809 of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland unless
 31 its use is authorized by the governing body of the local jurisdiction by local law enacted after

1 reasonable notice and a public hearing.

2 (e) The Director of the Department of Public Works and Transportation, in conjunction
3 with the Chief of Police and the County Council is authorized to determine those locations where
4 residential district speed monitoring systems are to be installed.

5 (f) The Director shall respond, in writing, within six months of a request from a County
6 Councilmember, as to a final decision regarding whether the Department will install speed
7 monitoring systems on a particular location of roadway and include an estimated time for
8 installation.

9 [(f)](g) All residential district speed monitoring systems shall conform to, and be used in
10 accordance with the requirements of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of
11 Maryland.

12 SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the provisions of this Act are hereby
13 declared to be severable; and, in the event that any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph,
14 sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of
15 competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining
16 words, phrases, clauses, sentences, subparagraphs, paragraphs, subsections, or sections of this
17 Act, since the same would have been enacted without the incorporation in this Act of any such
18 invalid or unconstitutional word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, subparagraph, subsection,
19 or section.

20 SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect forty-five (45)
21 calendar days after it becomes law.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2025.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Jolene Ivey
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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