## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: 7/18/95 Reference No.: CB-63-1995

**Proposer:** County Executive **Draft No.:** 2

**Sponsors:** Del Giudice, Scott, and Wilson

**Item Title:** To adopt the 1993 editions of the BOCA National Building

Code, National Mechanical Code, and National Energy Conservation Code with certain additions, deletions,

and modifications

**Drafter:** Barbara L. Holtz **Resource Personnel:** Samuel E. Wynkoop, Jr.

Office of Law DER

### **LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

**Date Presented:** 7/18/95 **Executive Action:** 9/19/95 S

Committee Referral: (1) 7/18/95 THE Effective Date: 11/6/95

**Committee Action:**(1) 7/27/95 FAV(A)

**Date Introduced:** 7/31/95

**Pub. Hearing Date:** (1) 9/5/95 1:30 PM

Council Action: (1) 9/5/95 ENACTED

Council Votes: AMc:A, DB:AB, SD:A, JE:A, IG:A, WM:A, RVR:A, AS:A, MW:A

Pass/Fail: P

Remarks:

### TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE DATE: 7/27/95

Committee Vote: Favorable, as amended, 4-0 (In favor: Council Members Del Giudice, Estepp,

Scott and Wilson)

The Building Officials and Code Administrators (BOCA) National Building, Mechanical and Energy Codes are revised and republished every three years. State Law requires that local jurisdictions adopt the latest BOCA Code revision (and any local amendments) by August of the year of revision. CB-63-1995 will adopt the 1993 editions of the BOCA Codes with local amendments submitted by the County's Department of Environmental Resources. Due to unanticipated delays, CB-63 was not presented for Council action until July 18, 1995 and could not be enacted and in effect by August 1,

1995. As a result, CR-45-1995 was introduced to temporarily adopt the 1993 codes and local amendments pending adoption of CB-63-1995 (scheduled for 9/5/95).

Dave Banwarth and Ray Wise of DER discussed the substance of the local amendments to the BOCA Codes as well as minor amendments to CB-63-1995 which were recommended by the Office of Law after reviewing draft 1 of the bill. The Committee recommended approval of the amendments outlined in a July 26 memorandum from the Deputy County Attorney. The Committee also requested clarification from the Director of DER on whether fire inspections are being performed by DER staff or third-parties.

# BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT (Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

This bill will adopt the 1993 editions of the BOCA National Building Code, National Mechanical Code and National Energy Conservation Code with certain local amendments.

### **CODE INDEX TOPICS:**