

# PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

## COMMITTEE REPORT

2014 Legislative Session

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**Reference No.:** CB-75-2014

**Draft No.:** 1

**Committee:** **Planning, Zoning and Economic Development Committee**

**Date:** 09/16/2014

**Action:** FAV

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### REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Turner, Franklin, Campos, Harrison and Olson)

Staff summarized the purpose of the legislation and informed the committee of written referral comments that were received. CB-75-2014 amends the Zoning Ordinance residential zone use table to permit a public safety fraternal organization private club in the O-S Zone without a special exception if the lot has a gross tract area of at least five acres.

Council Chair Franklin, the bill's sponsor, informed the committee that this bill will facilitate the ability of public safety organizations to locate clubs in open space areas. Matt Tedesco, of McNamee, Hosea, Jernigan, Kim, Greenan & Lynch, P.A. and representing the Deputy Sheriff Police Lodge 112, testified in support of the legislation. Mr. Tedesco commented that CB-75-2014 will allow Lodge 112, which currently shares space with Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 89, as well as all first responders, to have their own private club.

The Office of Law reviewed CB-75-2014 and determined that the bill is in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its enactment. The Planning Board took no position on the legislation.

The Committee voted favorable as drafted.