



Prince George's County, Maryland
Inter-Office Memorandum
Office of Law

LEGISLATIVE COMMENT

DATE: June 28, 2021

TO: Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator
COW Committee

THRU: Rhonda L. Weaver, County Attorney

THRU: Joseph C. Ruddy, Deputy County Attorney

FROM: Amanda Denison, Associate County Attorney

RE: CB-44-2021

The Office of Law has reviewed the above referenced **bill** as it was **presented on June 15, 2021** and finds it to be in proper legislative form. The Office of Law sees no legal impediments to its enactment. However, there is a lack of clarity between the purpose paragraph and Footnote 77.

The Office of Law notes that the purpose paragraph of CB-43, page 1, line 4, states “Department or Variety Store Uses under 13,000 square feet are permitted” which indicates any type of department or variety store. However, Footnote 77, section (c) states “use is a thrift store” and does not include any type of store other than such. Therefore, the Office of Law suggests clarifying whether the permitted use is applicable to thrift stores only, or any type of department or variety store.