

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

2014 Legislative Session

Bill No. CB-51-2014

Chapter No. 26

Proposed and Presented by Council Member Franklin

Introduced by Council Members Franklin, Davis, Harrison, Lehman and Patterson

Co-Sponsors

Date of Introduction June 30, 2014

CHARTER AMENDMENT

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Amendment of Section 407, Charter of Prince George's County

3 For the purpose of proposing an amendment to Section 407 of the Charter of Prince George's
4 County to provide that immediately upon a vacancy in the Office of the County Executive, the
5 Chief Administrative Officer shall become the Acting County Executive until a County
6 Executive is chosen by the methods established in this Section of the Charter.

7 BY proposing an amendment to:

8 Section 407,

9 Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland.

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
11 Maryland, that the following amendment to Section 407, Charter of Prince George's County,
12 Maryland, is hereby proposed:

13 **Section 407. Vacancy.**

14 A vacancy in the office of County Executive shall exist upon the death, resignation or
15 removal of the County Executive, or upon forfeiture of office by a County Executive.

16 Immediately upon a vacancy, the Chief Administrative Officer shall become the Acting County
17 Executive until a County Executive is chosen by the methods established in this Section of the
18 Charter. In the event of a vacancy in the office of County Executive occurring during the last
19 two years of the term, the Council shall select from among its members, by majority vote, a
20 successor for the office for the balance of the unexpired term. If this selection by the Council is
21 not made within fourteen (14) calendar days after the vacancy occurs, the Chairman of the

1 Council shall succeed to the Office for the balance of the unexpired term. The Council shall
2 provide by law for the conduct of a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of County
3 Executive that occurs during the first two years of a term and for the appointment, powers and
4 duties of an Acting County Executive pending the outcome of such special election.

5 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that a copy of this Act be transmitted to the
6 County Executive for publication and that a copy also be transmitted to the Board of Supervisors
7 of Elections for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters of this County at the 2014
8 General Election pursuant to Section 1105 of the Charter.

9 SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the question of adoption of this proposed
10 Charter Amendment shall be submitted to the voters of the County at the General Election
11 occurring on November 4, 2014, and shall be placed on the ballot in the following form:

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13 PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT

14 To provide that immediately upon a vacancy in the Office of the County
15 Executive, the Chief Administrative Officer shall become the Acting
16 County Executive until a County Executive is chosen by the methods
17 established in this Section of the Charter.
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1 Adopted this 23rd day of July, 2014, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of
2 the full County Council.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Mel Franklin
Chairman

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd
Clerk of the Council

KEY:
Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.
Asterisks *** indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.