

Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 4/29/2025 **Effective Date:**

Reference No.: CB-035-2025 **Chapter Number:**

Draft No.: 1 Public Hearing Date:

Proposer(s): Ivey
Sponsor(s): Ivey

Item Title: ACT CONCERNING UNIVERSAL DESIGN FOR HOUSING - 2025

REVISIONS for the purpose of removing and re-lettering certain definitions;

providing for revisions to certain design elements; providing for a certain clearance for certain exterior door entrances; providing for a certain clearance for certain lead walks; providing for a certain clearance for certain hallways on the accessible level;

providing for a certain clearance for certain doorways on the accessible level; providing for a certain clearance for certain interior hallways in townhouse and two-over-two units; providing for a certain clearance for certain interior doorways in townhouse and two-over-two units; and generally regarding Universal Design

elements for certain newly constructed residential housing dwelling units.

Drafter: Kathy Canning

Resource Personnel: John W. Sheridan, Policy Director, Council Member Ivey, At-Large

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:Acting Body:Action:Sent To:04/29/2025County Councilpresented and referredPHED

Action Text:

This Council Bill was presented by Council Member Ivey and referred to the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee.

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

(Official Legislative Background Information for Agenda Item Summary)

CB-65-2023 (DR-2), CR-70-2023, and CB-85-2024 constitute the legislative package regarding the requirement of the use of specified universal design standards, with the exception of exemptions and waivers granted, to apply to all new single-family attached, single-family detached, two-family, two-over-two's, three-family, and multifamily residential dwelling units constructed in Prince George's County on and after January 1, 2026. This is companion legislation to the zoning bill that removes the Universal Design Green Standard's Table from the Zoning Ordinance. This bill removes two definitions and makes technical amendments to the current universal design law regarding certain clearance requirements for identified universal design elements.

REMINDER: Attach the Legislative file document

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