

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2025 Legislative Session

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Action: FAV(A)

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable as Amended, 5-0 (In Favor: Council Members Olson, Harrison, Blegay, Dernoga, and Fisher)

The Committee convened on October 9, 2025, to discuss CB-73-2025, which amends Subtitle 20A (Transportation) to establish a process to allow public transit providers to locate bus stops on private property. Specifically, CB-73 adds definitions for:

Public Transit Provider – WMATA, DPWT

Private Property – land controlled by a non-government entity

Transit Access Permit – issued by Council Resolution after an application and review process

The Application and Review Process allows public transit providers to apply to DPWT for access to private property. Within 30 days, DPWT must:

- Review application
- Notify the property owner of their right to respond in writing (30 days)
- Refer application/responses to the Council for consideration

Upon receipt of the application, the Council may:

- adopt a resolution authorizing the Transit Access Permit, and
- impose reasonable conditions

CB-73 provides property owner rights and protections, requires DPWT and the Office of Law to develop regulations within 90 days of the effective date, and requires an annual report from DPWT.

Based on discussions with DPWT, the Sponsor proposed the following amendments:

- Locating bus stops on private property requires the collaborative effort of the County, the property owner, and the public transit provider to obtain the property owner's consent;
- The acknowledgement of applicable state law, and the ultimate authority of WMATA through the Multijurisdictional Compact, and
- Providing the Council with the option to mandate the provision of shuttle service (by the property owner) to the nearest Metro station as an alternative to the location of a bus stop

After discussion, the Committee voted favorably on CB-73-2025 as amended by a vote of 5-0.