

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2016 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CB-62-2016

Draft No.: 1

Committee: TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Date: September 29, 2016

Action: FAV (A)

REPORT:

September 29th, 2016

Committee Vote: Favorable with amendments, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Lehman, Turner, Davis, Patterson and Taveras)

The Legislative Officer provided a summary of the bill and referral comments that were received. CB-62-2016 (Draft 2) concerns civil monetary fines or penalties for zoning violations. The purpose of amending the schedule of civil monetary fines is to enhance the enforcement of certain zoning violations related to illegal signs in Prince George's County.

Susan Hubbard with the Prince Georges County Department of Permitting, Inspection and Enforcement provided additional information and spoke in support of this legislation.

The amendments were as follows:

On page 2, in line 3, after "2nd violation" insert "and subsequent violations" and strike, at the bottom of line 3, in its entirety, "3rd and subsequent violations, \$1,000.00".

The Office of Law determined that CB-62-2016, (Draft 2) was in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its enactment.

The Office of Audits and Investigation indicated there may be a positive fiscal impact on the County related to an increase in collections received from fines and penalties imposed on owners, or users of signs as a result of enactment CB-62-2016 (Draft 2).