

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2022 Legislative Session

Bill No. CB-36-2022

Chapter No. 40

Proposed and Presented by The Chair (by request – County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Franklin, Streeter, Medlock, Ivey, and Dernoga

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction June 28, 2022

BILL

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Business License Renewal Late Fee

3 For the purpose of adopting a new late fee of \$100 to renew an expired business license.

4 BY adding and reenacting with amendments:

5 **SUBTITLE 2. ADMINISTRATION.**

6 **Section 2-253.63**

7 The Prince George's County Code
8 (2019 Edition; 2021 Supplement).

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
10 Maryland, that Section 2-253.63 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby
11 added and reenacted with the following amendments:

12 **SUBTITLE 2. ADMINISTRATION.**

13 **DIVISION 14C. FEES AND CHARGES.**

14 **Sec. 2-253.63. - Fees and Charge.**

15 (a) This fee schedule applies to fees and charges assessed by Prince George's County,
16 Maryland for regulated activities that occur within its jurisdiction.

17 (b) The fees prescribed in this schedule will supersede previous fees and charges assessed
18 by Prince George's County, Maryland for regulated activities that occur within its jurisdiction.

19 (c) All fees and charges are subject to a 5% technology fee with the exception of the multi-
20 family rental license fee and the single-family rental license fee.

21 (d) The Director of the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement shall

1 establish and maintain a comprehensive Table of Fees, as referenced and included in this Bill, for
2 all types of permits. The Director or the County Council shall have the authority to change the
3 fees from time to time as is determined necessary; and the Director shall republish the Table of
4 Fees which shall be posted in the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement's
5 Permit Office and on its website. Prior to implementing a change in the fees, the Director of the
6 Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement shall hold public informational sessions
7 to allow for public comment as part of this process. The Director shall also submit the proposed
8 Table of Fees to the County Executive for approval and for transmittal to the County Council for
9 legislative review and approval by resolution, after notice and public hearing.

10 (e) The Director of the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement shall
11 promulgate written regulations to establish and govern a method of notification for increases as a
12 result of the International Code Council and industry standard increases. The Director shall also
13 promulgate written regulations for the administration of the provisions of this Section and shall,
14 at his or her discretion, hold public informational sessions to allow for public comment as part of
15 this process.

16 (f) Fees may be adjusted using a method established by the International Code Council and
17 industry standards pursuant to paragraphs (d) and (e) of this Section. Any changes to fees and
18 charges that are not connected to the International Code Council or industry standards shall be
19 changed by County Council approval by resolution, after notice and public hearing.

20 (g) Each fee set forth in the schedule shall be paid in advance of the issuance of a permit,
21 license, plan or item as set forth in the schedule. If the application review is pending through no
22 fault of the licensee after the expiration date, then that application will not be subject to
23 administrative late fees. Fees shall not be refunded in whole or in part once work has begun,
24 licenses or permits have been issued or funds have been encumbered. Prior to those itemized
25 occurrences and within six (6) months of payment, it is within the discretion of the Director of
26 the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement to issue a refund.

27 (h) The fees and charges shall be designated in a Table of Fees section 2-253.63, Attachment A
28 and as published on the DPIE website.

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30 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the provisions of this Act are hereby
31 declared to be severable; and, in the event that any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph,

1 sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of
2 competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining
3 words, phrases, clauses, sentences, subparagraphs, paragraphs, subsections, or sections of this
4 Act, since the same would have been enacted without the incorporation in this Act of any such
5 invalid or unconstitutional word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, subparagraph, subsection,
6 or section.

7 SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect on forty-five (45)
8 calendar days after it becomes law.

Adopted this 13th day of September, 2022.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Calvin S. Hawkins, II
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Angela D. Alsobrooks
County Executive

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

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