



# Prince George's County, Maryland

## Inter-Office Memorandum

### Office of Law

#### LEGISLATIVE COMMENT

**DATE:** September 12, 2018

**TO:** Robert J. Williams, Jr., Council Administrator

**THRU:** Sandra Eubanks, Acting Committee Director  
Transportation, Housing and Environment Committee (THE)

**THRU:** Jared M. McCarthy, County Attorney *JMM*

**THRU:** Tara H. Jackson, Deputy County Attorney

**FROM:** Dinora A. Hernandez, Associate County Attorney *DAH*

**RE:** CB-55-2018

The Office of Law has reviewed the above referenced bill as it was presented on July 24, 2018, and offers the following comments:

- Section 10-202 of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code for Maryland states that a “county may provide for the enforcement of an ordinance, a resolution, a bylaw, or a regulation...by civil fines not exceeding \$1,000”. Here, on page 2, lines 6 and 7, the bill seeks to impose a civil penalty of \$500 for an initial and repeat violation. Please be advised that civil penalties should be capped at \$1,000.