

# INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

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**TO:** Jackie Brown, Committee Director  
Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee

**FROM:** Maurene Epps McNeil  
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**Re:** CB-20-2020

I have reviewed the above referenced bill, and offer the following comment.

The stated purpose for the legislation (found on p. 1, lines 3-5) is to waive the Public Safety Facilities Surcharge under certain circumstances. However, the existing waiver language which allows the waiver of "any surcharge" within the developed tier, and the revision to this language, are improperly placed under existing subsection (e) concerning "Data Collection by Office of Audits and Investigations and Office of Management and Budget".

I would recommend that the bill be revised to create a new subsection (f), to move existing language on p. 4, lines 20-21 in the new (f), and add a second sentence to the new (f) which states that "the governing body of the County may, by resolution waive any public safety facilities surcharge imposed pursuant to this Section." In the alternative, if it is truly the sponsor's intent to delete the current waiver for any surcharges within the developed tier the new (f) should not include this sentence and the entire sentence should be bracketed on p. 4, lines 20-21.