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Chapter No.	11	
Proposed and Presented by The Chair (by request – County Executive)		
Introduced by	coduced by Council Members Hawkins, Streeter, Turner, Davis, Dernoga, Ivey,	
	Franklin, Harrison, Glaros and Anderson-Walker	
Date of Introduction	of Introduction April 13, 2021	

### BILL

AN ACT concerning

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2 Building Code of Prince George's County For the purpose of updating the provisions of the Building Code of Prince George's County (the 3 "County") to conform to the 2017 editions of the National Electrical Code. 4 5 BY repealing and reenacting with amendments: SUBTITLE 9. ELECTRICITY 6 7 Sections 9-101, 9-102, 9-103, 9-105, 9-106, 9-107, 9-8 107.01, 9-108.01, 9-109, 9-109.02, 9-111, 9-112, 9-9 113, 9-114, 9-115, 9-117-9-118, 9-122, 9-124, 9-10 124.01, 9-124.02, 9-125, 9-126 11 The Prince George's County Code 12 (2019 Edition; 2020 Supplement). 13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, 14 Maryland, that Sections 9-101, 9-102, 9-103, 9-105, 9-106, 9-107, 9-107.01, 9-108.01, 9-109, 9-15 109.02, 9-111, 9-112, 9-113, 9-114, 9-115, 9-117-9-118, 9-122, 9-124, 9-124.01, 9-124.02, 9-125, 9-126. of the Prince George's County Code be and the same are hereby repealed and 16 17 reenacted with the following amendments: SUBTITLE 9. ELECTRICITY. 18 19 **DIVISION 1. ELECTRICAL CODE.** 20 SUBDIVISION 1. ADOPTION BY REFERENCE 21 Sec. 9-101. Code – Adopted by Reference.

1 The National Electrical Code (NEC), [2014] 2017 Edition, published by the National Fire 2 Protection Association, is hereby adopted by reference and made a part of this Subtitle with the 3 same force and effect as though set out in full herein as the Official Electrical Code of Prince 4 George's County, together with the changes, deletions, or modifications prescribed in this 5 Subtitle. All electrical work performed or contracted to be performed in the County shall be 6 included within the authority of this Subtitle. Sec. 9-102. Definitions. 7 8 (a) The term "the authority having jurisdiction for enforcing this Code" as used in the National 9 Electrical Code shall mean the [Chief Electrical Inspector and Electrical Code Official] 10 Director and/or representative of the Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement. [or other such person as the Director shall designate.] Where the name of 11 the jurisdiction is to be indicated in any Section of the Code, the name to be substituted 12 13 therein shall be "Prince George's County, Maryland." 14 (b) For the purposes of this Division, the following words, terms and phrases shall have the meaning given for them in Section 2-253.50 of this County Code: 15 16 (1) Board; 17 (2) Department; 18 (3) Director; 19 (4) Electrical Contractor; 20 (5) Electrical Contractor, Limited; 21 (6) Electrical work; 22 (7) Master Electrician; 23 (8) Master Electrician, Limited; 24 (9) Journeyman Electrician; 25 (10) Apprentice Electrician; 26 (11) Electrical Subcontractor; 27 (12) Electrical Subcontractor, Limited. 28[Sec. 9-103. Public inspection.] Reserved. 29 One (1) copy of the National Electrical Code adopted by this Subdivision shall be marked 30 as the master copy and maintained by the Clerk of the Council.] SUBTITLE 9. ELECTRICITY. 31

1	<b>DIVISION 1. ELECTRICAL CODE.</b>	
2	SUBDIVISION 2. AMENDMENTS TO THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE.	
3	Sec. 9-104. General.	
4	Any provision of the National Electrical Code adopted by Section 9-101 of this Subtitle	
5	shall be subject to change, modification, addition or omission as set out in Subdivision 2, and	
6	such change, amendment, addition or deletion shall be deemed to supersede the text of the	
7	Electrical Code in any case where the provisions of this Subtitle are interpreted.	
8	Sec. 9-105. [Reserved]. Prevent Physical Damage	
9	"For residential and commercial applications, in locations where electrical equipment is	
10	likely to be exposed to physical damage by vehicles, electrical equipment shall have vehicle	
11	impact protection per 2018 International Building Code ("IBC") 1607.9, or as per 2018	
12	International Residential Code ("IRC") E3404.10.	
13	Sec. 9-106. Same; Article 250 Grounding.	
14	(a) The following amendments, additions, and/or deletions are made to Article 250 of the	
15	National Electrical	
16	(1) Section 250.52(A)(1) Metal Underground Water Pipe. A metal underground	
17	water pipe in direct contact with the earth for 3.0 m (10 ft) or more (including any metal	
18	well casing bonded to the pipe) and electrically continuous (or made electrically	
19	continuous by bonding around insulating joints or insulating pipe) to the points of	
20	connection of the grounding electrode conductor and the bonding conductor(s) or	
21	jumper(s), if installed. Grounding electrode conductor shall be bonded to water pipe	
22	within 5 feet of where cold water pipe enters the structure.	
23	(2) Section_250.52(A)(2) Metal In-ground Support Structure(s). One or more metal	
24	in-ground support structure(s) in direct contact with the earth vertically, with or without	
25	concrete encasement. If multiple metal in-ground support structures are present at a	
26	building or a structure, it shall be permissible to bond only one into the grounding	
27	electrode system.	
28	Informational Note: Metal in-ground support structures include, but are not limited to, pilings,	
29	casings, and other structural metal.	
30	(1)(3) Section 250.52(A)(3), "Concrete - Encased Electrode," is amended to read as	
31	follows: All new structures, both residential and commercial, require a concrete	

1	encased electrode to be used as the principal grounding electrode system.			
2	Sec. 9-107. Reserved.			
3	Sec. 9-107.01. Wiring Methods and Materials; Article 310 Conductors for General			
4	Wiring.			
5	(a) The following amendments, additions, and/or deletions are made to Article 310 of the			
6	National Electrical Code:			
7	(1) The following paragraph is added to Section 310.10, "Uses Permitted:"			
8	Aluminum Conductors. Aluminum conductors shall be permitted only for service			
9	and feeder use and shall not be smaller than #2 AWG.			
10	(2) The following exception is added to Section 310.10, "Uses Permitted:" Listed			
11	Cable assemblies #2 aluminum AWG and larger installed in single-family and			
12	multifamily dwellings, having grounding conductors sized in accordance with			
13	Section 250.122, "Size of Equipment Grounding Conductors," shall be excluded			
14	from the requirements set forth in (a)(l), above.			
15	Sec. 9-108.01 Same; Article 408 — Switchboards and Panelboards.			
16	(a) The following amendments, additions, and/or deletions are made to Article 408 of the			
17	National Electrical Code:			
18	[(1) Article 408.36, "Overcurrent Protection," Exception No. 3 is amended to read as			
19	follows:			
20	(A) For existing installations, split-bus panelboards shall be required to be			
21	replaced by a main over-current protective device panelboard when			
22	replacement of service entrance conductors occurs.			
23	(2) A new Section, Article 408, Part II. A switchboard, 408.23 titled "Switchboards			
24	of One Thousand (1,000) Amperes or Larger, "is added to read as follows:			
25	(A) Switchboards having a capacity of one thousand (1,000) amperes or			
26	larger, using aluminum feeders and/or busbars, shall receive periodic			
27	cleaning and preventative maintenance as recommended by the			
28	manufacture of such equipment to minimize the possibility of fire or			
29	catastrophic failure. Cleaning and maintenance require an electrical			
30	permit, including coordination of shutdown with the utility, and shall			
31	include the following:]			

1		<u>(1)</u> <u>All</u>	commercially owned occupancies including dwelling units having electrical
2	equipment with a capacity of eight hundred (800) amperes or larger, shall undergo		
3		maintena	ance, cleaning and inspection as described by the manufacturer: every three
4		(3) years	by a master electrician licensed by Prince George's County. The master
5		<u>electricia</u>	an must promptly prepare a written maintenance report identifying the
6		equipme	nt inspected and cleaned including any conditions to be corrected and or
7	repaired. A copy of the report shall be delivered to the owner within in 10 days of the		
8	inspection. Any deficiencies noted thereon must be corrected or repaired. Moreover, a		
9		copy of	the "Maintenance / Cleaning Inspection Report shall be made available to the
10		Departm	ent of Permitting and Inspections upon request. If such maintenance or
11		<u>cleaning</u>	requires a coordinated shut down with the servicing utility company, an
12		electrica	l permit shall be required. The maintenance and cleaning includes but is not
13	limited to the following:		
14	[(i)](a) Vacuum entire interior of electrical equipment;		
15	[ii]](b) Clean busbars and contacts with a suitable nonconductive solvent;		
16		[iii](c) Lubricate and exercise all moving mechanisms; apply anti-oxidizing agents	
17	as warranted;		
18		[iv] <u>(d)</u>	Check all conductors for abrasions;
19		[v] <u>(e)</u>	Busbars and busbar connections shall be subjected to thermographic testing,
20	if corrective action is warranted, repair shall be made in accordance with		
21	recommended manufacturer specifications;		
22		[vi] <u>(f)</u>	Replace worn, damaged, or deteriorating components; and
23	[vii](g) Test ground-fault protective device.		
24		[viii	Testing and cleaning records shall be kept and made available upon request
25	and proper antioxidizing agents shall be used after each cleaning.		
26	(2) On all new and renovated installations requiring service and distribution electrical		
27	equipment, Electrical Contractor shall provide a Letter from utility company stating the		
28	SC AIC rating required for the service equipment to inspector at the TPF inspection.		
29	Upon final inspection of all electrical work the electrical contractor shall provide letter		
30	certification of electrical connection tightening per manufacturer requirements and		
31	recommendations.		

1	Sec. 9-109. Reserved.	
2	Sec. 9-109.02. [Same; Article 701 Legally Required Standby Systems — Source of	
3	Power.] <u>Reserved</u>	
4	[(a) The following amendments, additions, and/or deletions are made to Article 701 of the	
5	National Electrical Code:	
6	(1) Section 701.12, titled "General Requirements," is amended by the addition of the	
7	following sentence: Permission to use an emergency power source must be requested	
8	and authorized in writing from the authority having jurisdiction prior to the submittal	
9	of engineering plans for approval.]	
10	SUBTITLE 9. ELECTRICITY.	
11	DIVISION 1. ELECTRICAL CODE.	
12	SUBDIVISION 3. ADMINISTRATION.	
13	Sec. 9-111. [Duties and powers of the Chief Electrical Inspector.] <u>Reserved</u>	
14	(a) The Chief Electrical Inspector shall enforce all the provisions of the Electrical Code	
15	and shall prescribe the mode or manner of electrical work and the materials used in the	
16	installation, repair, or removal of electrical equipment.	
17	(b) The Chief Electrical Inspector shall have the following duties:	
18	(1) The Chief Electrical Inspector shall receive applications and issue permits for all	
19	electrical work and shall inspect the work for which a permit was issued to insure	
20	compliance with the Electrical Code; provided, however, that the Chief Electrical	
21	Inspector shall have no responsibility for the permitting and inspection of cable television	
22	installations in those municipalities where the cable television permit fees for	
23	installations within those municipalities are not remitted to the County in accordance with	
24	the fee schedule established in Section 9-121 of this Subtitle.	
25	(2) The Chief Electrical Inspector shall issue all necessary notices or orders to	
26	remove or correct illegal or unsafe conditions and to insure compliance with all the Code	
27	requirements for safety, health, and general welfare of the public. Upon notice from the	
28	Chief Electrical Inspector that work is being pursued contrary to the provisions of the	
29	Electrical Code, or is unsafe and dangerous, such work shall be stopped immediately. A	
30	"Stop Work" sign shall be posted and the stop-work order shall be in writing and shall be	
31	given to the owner of the property involved and/or to the owner's agent and/or to the	

persons doing the work and shall state in writing the condition under which the work maybe resumed. The stop-work order shall contain, or be accompanied by, a written notice indicating that there is a right to a hearing before the Chief Electrical Inspector or the designee of the Chief Electrical Inspector. Such request for a hearing may be filed in writing or in person at the Office of the Chief Electrical Inspector. The owner or permittee affected by such stop-work order shall be entitled to such hearing as quickly as feasible, but at least within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of such request for hearing by the Chief Electrical Inspector. The Chief Electrical Inspector or a designated impartial member of the staff, who has or is delegated the authority to act, shall afford the owner or permittee a fair hearing with an opportunity to present evidence or testimony that is relevant to the stop-work order. The owner or permittee shall be afforded reasonable notice of the time and place of hearing at the time requested, if made in person, or by telephone or other appropriate means if the request is forwarded in writing. Any person who shall continue any work in or about the premises after having been served with a stop-work order, except for corrective work as directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be subject to a fine of not less than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or six (6) months in jail, or both.

(3) The Chief Electrical Inspector shall make all required inspections or may accept reports of inspection by authoritative and recognized testing agencies. All such inspection reports shall be in writing and certified by a responsible officer of such inspection agency or by the responsible individual.

(4) The provisions of this Subtitle shall not prevent the use of any material or method of construction not prescribed by this Subtitle when the permittee can demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Chief Electrical Inspector, that the proposed method or material is, for the purpose intended, at least the equivalent of the material or method otherwise prescribed in quality, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability, and safety.

(5) Whenever it is determined, however, that there is documentary evidence that the use of a material or method approved herein would constitute a distinct hardship to life or property, the Chief Electrical Inspector shall have the authority to administratively suspend approval granted herein of such material or method. The Chief Electrical Inspector shall, within five (5) working days, request the County Council to confirm such

administrative suspension by resolution of the Council. Such written request of the Chief Electrical Inspector shall be accompanied by enough technical data and record of national or local testing to substantiate that the use of an approved method or material would constitute a distinct hazard to life or property.

(6) The Chief Electrical Inspector or authorized representative shall have the authority to enter at any reasonable hour any building, structure, or premises for the duration of a permit which has been issued for the purposes of enforcing the Electrical Code, or where there is probable cause to believe that a violation of the Electrical Code exists. A search warrant shall be authorized in those cases where the owner or occupant refuses to allow such entrance and inspection.

(7) In any case of hazard to life or property or in any case which comes to the knowledge of the Chief Electrical Inspector of defective or faulty wiring or apparatus, the Chief Electrical Inspector is authorized to order the property owner to correct the hazard or the company furnishing the electric power to discontinue service.

(c) Any interpretation of the Electrical Code made by the Chief Electrical Inspector shall be conclusive and binding upon the parties involved; provided, that any aggrieved party may appeal such decision to the Board of Registration for Master Electricians or Electrical Contractors within thirty (30) days after written notice of the decision by the Chief Electrical Inspector when it is claimed that the true intent of the National Electrical Code or of this Division has been incorrectly interpreted or applied. Decisions of the Board shall be appealable to the Circuit Court pursuant to the provisions of the Maryland Rules of Procedure.

(d) The Chief Electrical Inspector may, so long as the public safety is assured, grant administrative relief in the form of variances and/or waivers to the National Electrical Code (NEC), provided that said applicant clearly demonstrates substantial practical difficulties and/or circumstances of undue hardship involved in the implementation and enforcement of the provisions of the NEC, or Subtitle 9, Prince George's County Code. The particulars of such variances, when granted or allowed, shall be furnished in writing to the applicant and made part of the permanent file established by the Chief Electrical Inspector.

Note: Variances and waivers shall not become a substitute for the proper use and implementation

1	or enforcement of the NEC or Subtitle 9, Prince George's County Code.]		
2	SUBTITLE 9. ELECTRICITY.		
3	DIVISION 1. ELECTRICAL CODE.		
4	SUBDIVISION 4. ENFORCEMENT		
5	Sec. 9-112. Electrical permits; required.		
6	No person shall perform electrical work until a permit has been obtained and a copy has		
7	been posted at the job site or presented to the owner or occupant. The work must be done		
8	under the personal and technical supervision of a licensed Master Electrician or Master		
9	Electrician, Limited, or a licensed Refrigeration, Air Conditioning and/or Heating		
10	Contractor. No permit shall be required for [minor repairs or] replacement of existing		
11	receptacles, switches or lighting fixtures not exceeding a total of five (5) devices per		
12	structure.		
13	Sec 9-113. Permit application.		
14	(a) All applications for permits shall be in writing, on such form as may be prescribed by		
15	the Department, and shall describe the work to be done and the location thereof. All		
16	applications for permits shall be accompanied by plans and specifications as specified		
17	in Section 9-115 and the fee set forth by the [Chief Electrical Inspector] Director and/or		
18	representative.		
19	(b) Electrical permits shall only be issued to a duly licensed Master Electrician, or Master		
20	Electrician, Limited, or a duly licensed Refrigeration, Air Conditioning and/or Heating		
21	Contractor, except as provided in Section 9-117.		
22	Sec 9-114. Approved plans.		
23	Approved plans are plans which have been reviewed by the [Chief Electrical Inspector]		
24	Director and/or representative and have been found to be consistent with Code requirements		
25	and accepted practices. Approved plans shall be stamped "Approved" and at least one (1)		
26	set of such approved plans shall be retained by the Department and the other set shall be		
27	kept at the building site, open to inspection of the [Chief Electrical Inspector] Director		
28	and/or representative at all reasonable times.		
29	Sec. 9-115. Plans and specifications.		
30	An application for a permit shall be accompanied by not less than two (2) copies of		
31	specifications and of plans which use symbols and notations commonly accepted by the		

1	electrical industry to show the nature and character of the work to be performed. The [Chief	
2	Electrical Inspector] Director and/or representative may waive the requirement for filing	
3	plans when it is determined that the work is of a minor nature. No plans shall be required	
4	when a building permit application has been filed in accordance with Subtitle 4 of this	
5	County Code.	
6	Sec. 9-117. Right of property owner to perform work on own premises.	
7	(a) Except as restricted to the type of work as delineated below, the property owner is	
8	permitted to perform electrical work on his or her own premises; and the work is limited	
9	up to a combination of ten (10) devices or less which includes addition, relocation and	
10	replacement of (lights, receptacles and switches), provided, that such premises are used	
11	only for a single-family residential dwelling.	
12	The owner shall meet the following requirements:	
13	(1) The owner shall apply for, pay the required fee, and secure an electrical permit	
14	required by this Subtitle.	
15	(2) The owner shall do such work in accordance with the provisions of this Subtitle	
16	and plans submitted with the application.	
17	(3) The owner shall apply for all inspections required by this Subtitle.	
18	(4) The owner shall be living on the premises, or declare an intention to occupy the	
19	premises for a minimum of one (1) year.	
20	(5) The owner shall receive a final certification of inspection.	
21	(b) Personal installation by an owner, other than by a licensed electrician, shall be by the	
22	owner on his own premises and without compensation from or to any other person for such	
23	labor or installation. The owner exercising this privilege shall conform to all requirements of	
24	this Subtitle.	
25	(c) The following electrical work is not permitted to be performed under a homeowners	
26	permit:	
27	(1) Installation of New Service;	
28	(2) Service Heavy-Up;	
29	(3) Service Panel Change;	
30	(4) Relocation of Service Panel and/or Meter;	
31	(5) Relocation of Service Drop or Lateral; or	

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(6) Installation of subpanels.

(d) Personal installation by an owner, other than by a licensed electrician, shall be by the
owner on his own premises and without compensation from or to any other person for such
labor or installation. The owner exercising this privilege shall conform to all requirements
of this Subtitle.

#### Sec. 9-118. Permits; terms and conditions.

(a) Each electrical permit issued pursuant to this Subtitle shall describe the installation to be done thereunder. Except as provided by Section 9-116, no person shall install or repair any electrical equipment other than in accordance with the permit. Except as provided by Section 9-117, all work done under such permit shall be performed under the technical supervision of a licensed Master Electrician or Master Electrician, Limited, as identified on the permit. All permits shall expire and be void unless the work authorized thereunder is either commenced within [twelve (12)] six (6) months from the date of issuance or there are no inspections made in a [twelve (12)] six (6) month period.

(b) Any permit issued with administrative errors which are the result of information provided by the applicant, such as incomplete listing of work accomplished, wrong address, or wrong owner, shall be revised prior to a final inspection. A fee of Forty-Five Dollars (\$45.00) is imposed for a permit revision in addition to the increased scope of work.

## Sec. 9-122. Unused permits and inspections.

[(a) Where no work has been done under a permit issued pursuant to this Subtitle, the holder of the permit may return the permit to the Department for cancellation. Requests for cancellation must be in writing by the electrical contractor or property owner and should be submitted promptly. Upon cancellation of the permit, there shall be refunded to the holder of the permit any amount in excess of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) paid. Requests for each refund must be made prior to the expiration date of the permit.]

[(b) Partial refunds for work not completed under a permit issued pursuant to this Subtitle may be made to the holder of the permit. The application for a partial refund shall be made before the expiration date of the permit. The amount refunded shall be determined by the Chief Electrical Inspector and shall be based on the amount of work completed and the number of inspections made. A minimum fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) shall be assessed

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against refunds to defray the administrative costs associated with such partial cancellations.]

[(c)](a) Whenever a change of electrical contractor occurs, the property owner, developer, or general contractor must inform the County by letter of such change. The letter should be addressed to the [Chief Electrical Inspector] Director and/or representative and should include the following: electrical permit number(s), addressee(s), the last type of inspection if any, the reason for changing contractor, and the new contractor if selected. A copy of this letter should also be sent to the utility providing electric power when service work is included on the permit(s). Subsequent to receipt of this letter a "change in contractor" type of inspection will be made. When the inspection is completed and before resuming work, the new contractor must obtain a new permit at a cost to be determined by the [Chief Electrical Inspector]-Director and/or representative.

[(d)](b) Whenever any electrical work for which a permit is required has been started prior to obtaining a permit, a special investigation shall be made before an application maybe filed to request the required permit. In addition to the filing fee and regular permit fee, an investigation fee of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$ 150.00) for residential work and Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) for commercial work shall be paid at the time of filing the application for the required permit. Whenever work under a permit has been placed, partially completed, or concealed without first obtaining the required inspection approval, the [Chief Electrical Inspector] Director and/or representative shall cause a special investigation to be made. The fee for the special investigation shall be One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) for residential and Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) for commercial and shall be payable before further inspections will be provided.

[(e)] (c) Whenever an inspection is requested which cannot be rendered because the work has not been completed, a reinspection fee of Fifty-five Dollars (\$55.00) will be assessed against the contractor.

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# Sec. 9-124. [Notice of Violations.] Reserved

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[(a) The Chief Electrical Inspector or authorized representative shall serve written notice of violations within three (3) working days of the inspection to persons responsible for work which is found in violation of the Electrical Code or which is not in compliance with the

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approved plans. Such notices shall order the discontinuance of the illegal action or condition and order the correction of the violation and the code section or sections shall be included in the notice of violation.

(b) If there is no response to the notice of violation within fifteen (15) days, the Chief
Electrical Inspector shall refer the violation to the Board of Registration for Master
Electricians and Electrical Contractors. The Board shall take such action as it deems
appropriate.]

### Sec. 9-124.01. [Appeals.] Reserved

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[Any person(s) responsible for work which is found in violation of the Electrical Code or any person(s) responsible for work which is not in compliance with approved plans, may appeal to the Board of Registration for Master Electricians and Electrical Contractors from a final decision of the Chief Electrical Inspector. Application for appeal may be made when it is claimed that the true intent of the National Electrical Code or of this Division has been incorrectly interpreted or applied. The nature of such appeal shall be in writing and filed with the Board of Registration within fifteen (15) days after the decision is rendered by the Chief Electrical Inspector.]

#### Sec. 9-124.02. [Filing Appeal; Fee.] <u>Reserved</u>

[(a) Applications for an appeal to the Board of Registration for Master Electricians and Electrical Contractors shall be filed with the Clerk to the Board accompanied with a One Hundred Dollar (\$100.00) filing fee.

(b) The Board may refund a filing fee where the Board finds a clear violation by an administrative agent of the County.]

## Sec. 9-125. [Penalties.] Reserved

[Any person who shall violate the provisions of the Electrical Code or who shall fail to comply with any of the requirements thereof, or who shall perform electrical work in violation of approved plans or directions of the Chief Electrical Inspector, or of a permit or certificate issued under the provisions of the Electrical Code shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or by imprisonment not exceeding one (1) year or both. Each day a violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.]

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SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the provisions of this Act are hereby declared to be severable; and, in the event that any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining words, phrases, clauses, sentences, subparagraphs, paragraphs, subsections, or sections of this Act, since the same would have been enacted without the incorporation in this Act of any such invalid or unconstitutional word, phrase, clause, sentence, subparagraph, subsection, or section. SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect forty-five (45) calendar days after it becomes law.

Adopted this <u>4th</u> day of <u>May</u> , 20	)21.	COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
	BY:	Calvin S. Hawkins, II Chair
ATTEST:		
Donna Brown Clerk of the Council		
		APPROVED:
DATE:	_ BY:	Angela D. Alsobrooks County Executive
KEY: <u>Underscoring</u> indicates language added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law. Asterisks *** indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.		