

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 710 (Prince George's County and Montgomery County Delegations)
Commerce and Government Matters

Prince George's County - Zoning - Municipal Corporations
PG/MC 15-96

This bill authorizes the Prince George's County District Council to delegate specific zoning powers to a municipal government. These powers cover design, parking and loading, and sign design standards; variances for lot size, setback requirements, and similar requirements; and landscaping requirements. A municipal government is subject to the substantive and procedural requirements and standards established by the District Council. In addition, a municipality may not impose stricter standards and requirements than the District Council. A party to an action of a municipal government has the same right of appeal to the circuit court as with the District Council.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: None. It is expected that any powers delegated to a municipal government could be handled with the entity's existing planning resources. In addition, the delegation of duties by the District Council is not expected to significantly decrease its workload.

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