

# SENATE BILL 390

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## **ENROLLED BILL**

— *Budget and Taxation / Ways and Means* —

Introduced by **Senators Currie, Britt, Exum, Peters, and Rosapepe**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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President.

CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County - Special Taxing Districts**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the definition of "cost" for purposes of certain authority  
4 for Prince George's County to establish certain special taxing districts, issue  
5 certain bonds, and levy certain taxes; authorizing Prince George's County to  
6 exercise certain authority to provide financing, refinancing, or reimbursement  
7 for the costs of certain renovation, rehabilitation, and repair; and generally  
8 relating to certain authority for Prince George's County to establish certain  
9 special taxing districts, issue certain bonds, and levy certain taxes.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

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### EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

*Italics* indicate opposite chamber / conference committee amendments.



1 Article 24 – Political Subdivisions – Miscellaneous Provisions  
 2 Section 9–1301(a) and (c)(5)  
 3 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 4 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 6 The Public Local Laws of Prince George’s County  
 7 Section 10–269(a)(3) and (b)  
 8 Article 17 – Public Local Laws of Maryland  
 9 (2003 Edition, as amended)

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
 11 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

12 **Article 24 – Political Subdivisions – Miscellaneous Provisions**

13 9–1301.

14 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

15 (2) (i) “Bond” means a special obligation bond, revenue bond, note,  
 16 or other similar instrument issued by the county in accordance with this section.

17 (ii) “Bond” includes a special obligation bond, revenue bond,  
 18 note, or similar instrument issued by the revenue authority of Prince George’s County.

19 (3) “Cost” includes the cost of:

20 (i) Construction, reconstruction, and renovation, and  
 21 acquisition of all lands, structures, real or personal property, rights, rights-of-way,  
 22 franchises, easements, and interests acquired or to be acquired by the county;

23 (ii) All machinery and equipment including machinery and  
 24 equipment needed to expand or enhance county services to the special taxing district;

25 (iii) Financing charges and interest prior to and during  
 26 construction, and, if deemed advisable by the county, for a limited period after  
 27 completion of the construction, interest and reserves for principal and interest,  
 28 including costs of municipal bond insurance and any other type of financial guaranty  
 29 and costs of issuance;

30 (iv) Extensions, enlargements, additions, and improvements;

- 1 (v) Architectural, engineering, financial, and legal services;
- 2 (vi) Plans, specifications, studies, surveys, and estimates of cost
- 3 and of revenues;
- 4 (vii) Administrative expenses necessary or incident to
- 5 determining to proceed with the infrastructure improvements; and
- 6 (viii) Other expenses as may be necessary or incident to the
- 7 construction, acquisition, and financing of the infrastructure improvements.

8 **(4) IN PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY, “COST” INCLUDES THE COST**  
 9 **OF RENOVATION, REHABILITATION, AND REPAIR OF EXISTING BUILDINGS,**  
 10 **INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS, ELEVATORS, FACADES,**  
 11 **MECHANICAL SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS, AND SECURITY SYSTEMS.**

12 (c) (5) Prince George’s County may exercise the authority granted in this  
 13 subsection to:

- 14 (i) Levy hotel rental taxes; and
- 15 (ii) Provide financing, refinancing, or reimbursement for the
- 16 costs of:
  - 17 1. Convention centers, conference centers, and visitors’
  - 18 centers;
  - 19 2. Maintenance of infrastructure improvements,
  - 20 convention centers, conference centers, and visitors’ centers; [and]
  - 21 3. Marketing the special taxing district facilities and
  - 22 other improvements; **AND**

23 **4. RENOVATION, REHABILITATION, AND REPAIR OF**  
 24 **EXISTING BUILDINGS, BUILDING SYSTEMS, AND COMPONENTS FOR EXISTING**  
 25 **RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUMS DESIGNATED AS WORKFORCE HOUSING AS**  
 26 **DEFINED IN § 4-1801 OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**  
 27 **ARTICLE.**

28 **Article 17 – Prince George’s County**

29 10-269.

1 (a) (3) Cost includes the cost of:

2 (A) Construction, reconstruction, and renovation, and  
3 acquisition of all lands, structures, real or personal property, rights, rights-of-way,  
4 franchises, easements, and interests acquired or to be acquired by the County;

5 (B) All machinery and equipment including machinery and  
6 equipment needed to expand or enhance County services to the Special Taxing  
7 District;

8 (C) Financing charges and interest prior to and during  
9 construction, and, if deemed advisable by the County, for a limited period after  
10 completion of the construction, interest and reserves for principal and interest,  
11 including costs of municipal bond insurance and any other type of financial guaranty  
12 and costs of issuance;

13 (D) Extensions, enlargements, additions, and improvements;

14 (E) **RENOVATION, REHABILITATION, AND REPAIR OF**  
15 **EXISTING BUILDINGS, INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS,**  
16 **ELEVATORS, ~~FACADE~~ FACADES, MECHANICAL SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS, AND**  
17 **SECURITY SYSTEMS;**

18 [(E)] (F) Architectural, engineering, financial, and legal  
19 services;

20 [(F)] (G) Plans, specifications, studies, surveys, and estimates  
21 of cost and of revenues;

22 [(G)] (H) Administrative expenses necessary or incident to  
23 determining to proceed with the infrastructure improvements; and

24 [(H)] (I) Other expenses as may be necessary or incident to the  
25 construction, acquisition, and financing of the infrastructure improvements.

26 (b) (1) Subject to the provisions of this Section, and for the purpose stated  
27 in paragraph (2) of this Subsection, the County may:

28 (A) Create a Special Taxing District;

29 (B) Levy ad valorem, special, or hotel rental taxes; and

1 (C) Issue bonds and other obligations.

2 (2) The purpose of the authority granted under paragraph (1) of this  
3 Subsection is to provide financing, refinancing, or reimbursement for the cost of:

4 (A) The design, construction, establishment, extension,  
5 alteration, or acquisition of adequate storm drainage systems, sewers, water systems,  
6 roads, bridges, culverts, tunnels, streets, sidewalks, lighting, parking, parks and  
7 recreation facilities, libraries, schools, transit facilities, solid waste facilities, and other  
8 infrastructure improvements as necessary, whether situated within the Special Taxing  
9 District or outside the Special Taxing District if the infrastructure improvement is  
10 reasonably related to other infrastructure improvements within the Special Taxing  
11 District, for the development and utilization of the land, each with respect to any  
12 defined geographic region within the County.

13 (B) Convention centers, conference centers, and visitors' centers;

14 (C) **RENOVATION, REHABILITATION, AND REPAIR OF**  
15 **EXISTING BUILDINGS, BUILDING SYSTEMS, AND COMPONENTS FOR EXISTING**  
16 **RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUMS DESIGNATED AS WORKFORCE HOUSING AS**  
17 **DEFINED IN § 4-1801 OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**  
18 **ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND;**

19 [(C)] (D) Infrastructure improvements maintenance and  
20 maintenance of convention centers, conference centers, and visitors' centers; and

21 [(D)] (E) Marketing the special taxing district facilities and  
22 other improvements.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
24 October 1, 2007.