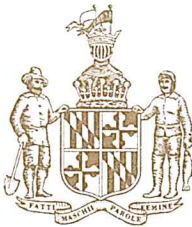


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Chair McIntosh, Vice Chair Chang and Committee Members:

Senate Bill 931 is a simple and straightforward bill that extends the Prince George's County School Facilities and Public Safety Surcharges from 2021 to 2024 and correspondingly extends the required findings reporting deadline from December 1, 2020 to December 1, 2022.

Used in recent years to offset infrastructure costs created by new development, these surcharges have also been a means to study the housing framework of the county and to enact ways to better increase the supply of affordable housing both locally and Statewide.

These surcharges allow Prince George's County to offset the costs that new development presents to both public safety and education infrastructure. This legislation would merely allow the county to continue with this surcharge and to continue enabling them to use the funding that it generates to offset costs and to properly fund both its public safety and school systems.

For the reasons listed above, I ask for a favorable report of Senate Bill 931.