

BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1129

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 6, strike “building permit is sought” and substitute “preliminary plan has been approved”; in line 7, strike “decreasing the amount of the surcharge after a certain date;”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 9 down through “purposes” in line 11 and substitute “requiring the governing body of Prince George’s County to distribute revenue from the surcharge to police, fire, and emergency medical services in the County; requiring a certain percentage of the revenue from the surcharge imposed on construction in certain municipal corporations to be distributed to certain police departments; requiring revenue collected from the surcharge to be used for certain purposes”; and in line 13, after “report;” insert “providing for the periodic adjustment of surcharges under this Act;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in lines 25 and 26, strike “BUILDING PERMIT IS APPLIED” and substitute “PRELIMINARY PLAN HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL”; in line 26, strike “JANUARY 1, 2006” and substitute “JULY 1, 2005”; and in line 27, after “(1)” insert “EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION.”.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 3 through 5, inclusive, and substitute:

“(A) \$6,000; OR

(B) FOR CONSTRUCTION IN THE DEVELOPED TIER, AS DEFINED BY THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION IN THE 2002 PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY APPROVED GENERAL PLAN, \$2,000.”.

On page 2, after line 9, insert:

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“(3) THE GOVERNING BODY OF PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY MAY WAIVE ANY SURCHARGE IMPOSED UNDER SUBSECTION (B)(1)(B) OF THIS SECTION.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in line 16, strike “PARAGRAPH (2)” and substitute “PARAGRAPHS (2) AND (3)”; strike beginning with “AS” in line 17 down through “VEHICLES” in line 33 and substitute “BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY TO POLICE, FIRE, AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES IN THE COUNTY.”

(2) AT LEAST 12% OF THE REVENUE COLLECTED FROM A SURCHARGE IMPOSED ON CONSTRUCTION THAT IS LOCATED IN A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION THAT MAINTAINS A POLICE DEPARTMENT SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THAT MUNICIPAL CORPORATION’S POLICE DEPARTMENT.

(3) REVENUE COLLECTED UNDER THIS SECTION MAY BE USED ONLY FOR:

(A) THE CONSTRUCTION OR REHABILITATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES; OR

(B) THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT OR COMMUNICATIONS DEVICES USED IN CONNECTION WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT, FIRE FIGHTING, OR EMERGENCY SERVICES ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING PROTECTIVE BODY ARMOR, SURVEILLANCE DEVICES, WEAPONS, LADDER TRUCKS, AMBULANCES, POLICE CRUISERS, AND RESCUE VEHICLES”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, strike in their entirety lines 8 and 9 and substitute:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the public safety surcharges established under this Act shall be in effect for fiscal year 2006 and, beginning in fiscal year 2007, the County Council of Prince George’s County, by resolution, shall adjust the surcharges each year by the percentage change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers from the previous fiscal year published by the federal Department of Labor.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2005.”.