

HOUSE BILL 1252

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By: **Montgomery County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 12, 2026

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Housing and Community Development – Montgomery County**
3 **Study**

4 **MC 19–26**

5 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to
6 conduct a study and make recommendations regarding the availability and
7 affordability of housing in Montgomery County; and generally relating to housing in
8 Montgomery County.

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
10 That:

11 (a) The Department of Housing and Community Development shall:

12 (1) study housing availability and affordability in Montgomery County;
13 and

14 (2) make recommendations to increase housing availability and
15 affordability in Montgomery County.

16 (b) In conducting the study and making the recommendations required under this
17 section, the Department shall:

18 (1) identify the makeup of available housing in the county by unit type;

19 (2) identify any development prospects in the county; and

20 (3) determine the impact of regulations and market forces on Montgomery
21 County's housing supply.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (c) The Department shall submit to the Maryland–National Capital Park and
2 Planning Commission, the Montgomery County Planning Department, the Montgomery
3 County Executive, the Montgomery County Council, and, in accordance with § 2–1257 of
4 the State Government Article, the Montgomery County Delegation to the General
5 Assembly:

6 (1) interim findings and recommendations under this section on or before:

7 (i) November 30, 2026; and

8 (ii) November 30, 2027; and

9 (2) a final report of its findings and recommendations under this section on
10 or before November 30, 2028.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
12 1, 2026. It shall remain in effect for a period of 3 years and, and the end of June 30, 2029,
13 this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and
14 of no further force and effect.