

SENATE BILL 931

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By: **Senator Jackson**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County – School Facilities and Public Safety Surcharges and**
3 **Report – Sunset Extension and Report**

4 FOR the purpose of extending the date by which Prince George's County is required to
5 report certain findings to certain persons; extending the termination date for certain
6 provisions of law that reduce the school facilities surcharge for certain multifamily
7 housing, exempt certain dwelling units from the school facilities surcharge,
8 authorize the governing body of Prince George's County to reduce the school facilities
9 surcharge up to a certain portion for certain dwelling units, and require Prince
10 George's County to conduct a certain review and report its findings to certain persons
11 on or before a certain date; requiring Prince George's County to conduct a certain
12 review and report its findings to the members of the Prince George's County
13 Delegation on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the school facilities
14 surcharge and the public safety surcharge in Prince George's County.

15 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
16 The Public Local Laws of Prince George's County
17 Section 10–192.01(b–1)
18 Article 17 – Public Local Laws of Maryland
19 (2015 Edition and 2017 Supplement, as amended)
20 (As enacted by Chapter 351 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2019)

21 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
22 Chapter 351 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2019

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.



1 Section 3 and 4

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

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

5 10–192.01.

6 (b–1) (1) The school facilities surcharge under this section shall be reduced by
7 50% for multi–family housing projects, with a building permit issued on or after April 1,
8 2019, constructed:

9 (A) Within an approved transit district overlay zone; or

10 (B) Where there is no approved transit district overlay zone, within
11 one–quarter mile of a Metro station or a MARC station.

12 (2) The school facilities surcharge under this section does not apply to a
13 dwelling unit that is a studio apartment or an efficiency apartment if the dwelling unit is
14 located:

15 (A) Within the Regional Transit Districts and Local Centers (Growth
16 Policy areas), as defined in the approved Prince George’s County General Plan (Plan 2035),
17 including in the area of the approved 2010 Central US 1 Corridor Approved Sector Plan
18 and Sectional Map Amendment;

19 (B) Within an approved transit district overlay zone; or

20 (C) Where there is no approved transit district overlay zone, within
21 one–quarter mile of a Metro station or a MARC station.

22 (3) The governing body of Prince George’s County may reduce the school
23 facilities surcharge by a percentage not exceeding 50% for dwelling units in multi–family
24 housing constructed where there is no approved transit district overlay zone, within
25 one–quarter mile of a Purple Line station.

26 **Chapter 351 of the Acts of 2019**

27 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Prince George’s County shall:

28 (1) review and make recommendations on the impact of the school facilities
29 surcharge and the public safety surcharge and the need for any changes to the surcharges,
30 including whether changes to the school facilities surcharge and the public safety surcharge
31 might have a positive impact on the ability to construct and maintain affordable housing;
32 and

1 (2) on or before December 1, [2020] **2022**, report its findings to the Prince
2 George’s County Council, the Prince George’s County School Board, and, in accordance with
3 § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the members of the Prince George’s County
4 Delegation to the General Assembly.

5 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
6 1, 2019. Sections 2 and 3 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of [2] **5** years and,
7 at the end of June 30, [2021] **2024**, Sections 2 and 3 of this Act, with no further action
8 required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Prince George’s County shall:

10 (1) review and make recommendations on whether the level of funding the
11 county receives from the school facilities surcharge and the public safety surcharge is
12 sufficient to meet the needs of the county; and

13 (2) on or before December 31, 2021, report its findings to the members of
14 the Prince George’s County Delegation to the General Assembly, in accordance with §
15 2–1257 of the State Government Article.

16 SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
17 July 1, 2021.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.