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County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2018 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. X

Bill No. 48 -2018

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive and Cosponsored by Jon Weinstein

AN ACT amending certain fees, as previously set by Resolution 62-2017, as amended by Resolution 57-2018; Resolution 111-2012; and Resolution 60-2017, as amended by Resolution 55-2018, for a limited time and related to property damaged by severe flooding in Howard County in 2018; and making this Act an Emergency Bill.

Introduced and read first time 2018. Ordered posted and hearing scheduled By order_ Jessica Feldmark, Administrator Having been posted and notice of time & place of hearing & title of Bill having been published according to Charter, the Bill was read _______, 2018. for a second time at a public hearing on 1 By order Jessipa Feldmark, Administrator une 2018 and Passed ____, Passed with amendments This Bill was read the third time of Failed By order 201 lessica Feldmark, Administrator Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this 20 day 2018 at a.m. p.m. By order Administrator line 21 Approved Vetoed by the County Executive

Allan H. Kittleman, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPS indicates additions to existing law; Strikeout indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

1	WHEREAS, the County Executive issued Executive Order 2018-07 on May 27, 2018
2	declaring a State of Emergency related to a severe flooding event in Howard County, Maryland; and
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4	WHEREAS, Executive Orders 2018-08 and 2018-10 established a No Access Area
5	pursuant to the Declaration of the State of Emergency; and
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7	WHEREAS, the damage caused by the flooding event will require extensive
8	reconstruction and repair by multiple businesses, residents, and other property owners; and
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10	WHEREAS, the damage caused by the flooding requires reconstruction and repair that
11	will necessitate County-issued permits; and
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13	WHEREAS, residents, businesses, and other property owners are anticipated to promptly
14	apply to the County for certain permits and licenses as part of their repair and recovery efforts; and
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16	WHEREAS, the fees for County permits and licenses are due prior to issuance of the
17	permits and licenses; and
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19	WHEREAS, property owners, residents, and business owners affected by the flooding
20	are facing undue hardships but must also perform certain work on their properties to make them
21	usable and habitable; and
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23	WHEREAS, reducing the cost of reconstruction and repair by reducing the fees as
24	provided in this Act for a period of time is one way that the County can assist the property
25	owners, residents, and business owners with financial relief; and
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27	WHEREAS, reducing the cost of reconstruction and repair will support and accelerate
28	the recovery of both damaged properties and affected areas as a whole, and thus is necessary to
29	protect public health, safety, and welfare and to protect property.
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NOW, THEREFORE,

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3	Section 1.	Be It Enacted by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that:
4	1.	The schedule of fees and charges for functions regulated by the Howard County
5		Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits, as set by Resolution No. 62-2017,
6		as amended by Resolution No. 57-2018, is hereby amended, for each of the following
7		schedules:
8		Building, Grading & Miscellaneous Construction Permits
9		Fire Protection Permits
10		Building Permit & Miscellaneous Fees
11		Fire Protection Permit Fees
12		Grading, Drainage, and Erosion Control Permit Fees
13		Electrical Fee Schedules
14		Electrical Permit Fee Schedule
15		Plumbing Fees
16		Schedule of Plumbing Permit Fees, and
17		Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, and Refrigeration Permit; and,
18	2.	The Food Service Facility Fee Schedule for certain functions regulated by the
19		Howard County Department of Health, as set by Resolution No. 111-2012, is hereby
20		amended, for each of the following:
21		Food Service Facility Licenses
22		Temporary Food Service Facility
23	3.	For each of the schedules referenced in Items 1 and 2, for permits and licenses to
24		perform work located anywhere in Howard County arising from the May 28, 2018
25		May 27, 2018 disaster, as declared by Executive Order 2018-07, the fee shall be
26		\$0.00 (zero dollars and zero cents), provided a valid permit or license application is
27		submitted during the period May 28, 2018 <u>May 27, 2018</u> through January 31, 2019.
28		This shall apply to properties included on the County's list of properties damaged as
29		a result of the 2018 floods, and to properties for which the owners provide
30		information satisfactory to the County demonstrating that the properties were
31		damaged as a result of the 2018 floods.

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2	4.	The schedule for charges pertaining to the Metropolitan District, to water and sewer
3		service, and to shared sewage disposal facilities, as set by Resolution No. 60-2017, as
4		amended by Resolution No. 55-2018, is hereby amended, for each of the following
5		schedules:
6		General System Benefit Charge
7		In-Aid-Of-Construction Charges
8		Charges for Unmetered Water Connections Associated With Private Fire
9		Protection Systems
10		Utility Connection Charges
11		Design Approval, Construction Inspection, And Annual Operation, Maintenance,
12		Repair, And Replacement Fees For Shared Sewage Disposal Facilities
13		Annual Operation, Maintenance, Repair And Replacement Fees
14		Utility User Charges And Surcharges Industrial Pre-treatment And Sewer
15		Surcharge Rates
16		Utility Special Charges
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18	5.	For each of the schedules listed in Item 4, charges incurred for the time period from
19		May 27, 2018 through January 31, 2019, shall be \$0.00 (zero dollars and zero cents)
20		for the property accounts associated with properties located shown in red shading on
21		the map attached as Exhibit A.
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23	Section 2.	And Be It Further Enacted by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that
24	this Act is	an Emergency Bill that is necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare
25	and, havin	ng been passed by two-thirds of the Council, is effective upon enactment.

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BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council, stands enacted on

, 2018. 21 June Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been passed by the yeas and nays of two-thirds of the members of the Council notwithstanding the objections of the Executive, stands enacted on _____, 2018.

Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having received neither the approval nor the disapproval of the Executive within ten days of its presentation, stands enacted on _____, 2018.

Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, not having been considered on final reading within the time required by Charter, stands failed for want of consideration on _____, 2018.

Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been disapproved by the Executive and having failed on passage upon consideration by the Council stands failed on _____, 2018.

Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, the withdrawal of which received a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Council, is withdrawn from further consideration on _____, 2018.

Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

Amendment 1 to Council Bill No. 48-2018

BY: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

Legislative Day <u>9</u> Date: June 18, 2018

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