

# PROPOSED

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2021, Legislative Day No. 1

Bill No. 4-21

Introduced by Mr. Volke

By the County Council, January 4, 2021

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Introduced and first read on January 4, 2021  
Public Hearing set for February 1, 2021  
Bill Expires April 9, 2021

By Order: JoAnne Gray, Administrative Officer

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE concerning: Proclamation of Civil Emergency in Anne  
2 Arundel County – Termination

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4 FOR the purpose of terminating the extension of the proclamation of a civil emergency  
5 established by Bill No. 24-20; and making this Ordinance an emergency measure.

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7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments: Bill No. 24-20, Section 1, Laws of Anne  
8 Arundel County, 2020

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10 WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, Maryland Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.  
11 proclaimed a state of emergency and a catastrophic health emergency for the entire  
12 State of Maryland pursuant to Title 14 of the Public Safety Article of the State  
13 Code, due to the impending threat and continuing impact of the contagious disease  
14 known as COVID-19; and

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16 WHEREAS, the Governor’s proclamation has subsequently been renewed at  
17 regular monthly intervals, and the state of emergency and catastrophic health  
18 emergency still exist; and

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20 WHEREAS, by Executive Order Number 16, dated March 13, 2020, the Anne  
21 Arundel County Executive proclaimed a civil emergency in Anne Arundel County,  
22 pursuant to Article I, Title 6 of the Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended);  
23 and

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25 WHEREAS, pursuant to § 1-6-104 of the County Code, a proclamation of a civil  
26 emergency or an executive order issued pursuant to a civil emergency proclamation

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate new matter added to existing law.  
[[Brackets]] indicate matter deleted from existing law.  
Captions and taglines in **bold** in this bill are catchwords and are not law.

1 may not be effective for more than seven days unless authorized by ordinance  
2 enacted by the County Council; and  
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4 WHEREAS, pursuant to Bill No. 24-20, the County Council extended the  
5 Proclamation of Civil Emergency by the County Executive through April 4, 2020,  
6 or to the date the civil emergency proclamation for the State of Maryland is  
7 approved to be renewed, extended, or terminated by the Governor of Maryland or  
8 the Maryland General Assembly; and  
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10 WHEREAS, the County Council now wishes to set a date certain for the expiration  
11 of the civil emergency proclaimed by the County Executive on March 13, 2020 and  
12 extended by Bill No. 24-20; now, therefore  
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14 SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,*  
15 That Bill No. 24-20, Section 1, Laws of Anne Arundel County, 2020 is hereby amended to  
16 read as follows:  
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18 **Bill No. 24-20**  
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20 SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the County Council of Anne Arundel County,*  
21 *Maryland,* That the March 13, 2020, civil emergency proclamation of the County  
22 Executive, and all executive action taken pursuant thereto, is hereby extended  
23 [[through the later of April 4, 2020, or the date the Governor's civil emergency  
24 proclamation for the State of Maryland is renewed, extended, or terminated by the  
25 Governor of Maryland or the Maryland General Assembly]] UNTIL THE  
26 EXPIRATION OF 48 HOURS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF BILL NO. 4-21, AFTER  
27 WHICH IT SHALL TERMINATE AND BE OF NO FURTHER FORCE AND EFFECT.  
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29 SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an  
30 emergency ordinance necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health,  
31 safety, welfare, and property, and being passed by the affirmative vote of five members of  
32 the County Council, the same shall take effect from the date it becomes law.