

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2015, Legislative Day No. --

Resolution No. 14-15

Introduced by Mr. Walker, Mr. Smith, Mr. Grasso, Mr. Fink, and Mr. Pruski

By the County Council, March 10, 2015

1 RESOLUTION supporting House Bill 1152 – Anne Arundel County – Solicitation  
2 and collection of money or donations from occupants of vehicles – Adoption of permit  
3 program

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5 WHEREAS, prior County law permitted solicitation and collection from vehicles  
6 by all persons except individuals under the age of 18; and

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8 WHEREAS, Chapter 537 of the Laws of Maryland, 2007 rendered solicitation on  
9 a highway for money or donations of any kind illegal; and

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11 WHEREAS, the prohibition against solicitation of money or donations from  
12 occupants of vehicles has had a detrimental effect on certain charitable  
13 organizations that benefit from collection of donations in this manner; and

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15 WHEREAS House Bill 1152 was introduced February 20, 2015 in order to enable  
16 Anne Arundel County to allow the solicitation of money and donations from  
17 occupants of vehicles by individuals over 18 years of age and to create a permit  
18 program for bona fide religious, fraternal, civic, war veterans', or charitable  
19 organizations for a seven-day solicitation permit; and

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21 WHEREAS, the adoption of a County permit program for collection of money  
22 and donations from vehicles will ensure the practice is available only for bona  
23 fide charitable organizations and provide an enforcement tool against unlicensed  
24 and unwelcome solicitation on County roads; and

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26 WHEREAS, the best interests of the citizens are served by providing  
27 eleemosynary institutions multiple avenues for assuring their fiscal health; and  
28 now, therefore, be it

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30 *Resolved by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, that it hereby*  
31 *expresses its support of House Bill 1152 and, be it further*

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33 *Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Del. Pamela Beidle, Chair of the*  
34 *Anne Arundel County House Delegation and Steven R. Schuh, County Executive.*