## **PROPOSED**

## COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2024, Legislative Day No. 19

Bill No. 84-24

Introduced by Ms. Hummer

By the County Council, October 21, 2024

Introduced and first read on October 21, 2024 Public Hearing set for November 18, 2024 Bill Expires on January 24, 2025

By Order: Kaley Schultze, Administrative Officer

## A BILL ENTITLED

| 1  | AN ORDINANCE concerning: Public Works - Watershed Protection and Restoration                |
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| 2  | Program – Waiver of Interest on Overdue Fees                                                |
| 3  |                                                                                             |
| 4  | FOR the purpose of authorizing the waiver of interest and penalties on certain overdue fees |
| 5  | under certain circumstances; and generally related to public works.                         |
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| 7  | BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments: § 13-7-103(p)                                 |
| 8  | Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)                                                 |
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| 10 | SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,            |
| 11 | That Section(s) of the Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended) read as follows:         |
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| 13 | ARTICLE 13. PUBLIC WORKS                                                                    |
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| 15 | TITLE 7. WATERSHED PROTECTION AND RESTORATION PROGRAM                                       |
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| 17 | 13-7-103. Stormwater Remediation Fee.                                                       |
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| 19 | (p) Waiver of interest on overdue fees.                                                     |
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| 21 | (1) The Controller may authorize a one-time waiver of interest and penalties                |
| 22 | accrued in accordance with § 4-1-103 of this Code on an overdue stormwater remediation      |
| 23 | fee between 2013 and the date of the waiver if:                                             |
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(i) the overdue stormwater remediation fee is imposed on a nonresidential property exempt from real property tax under the Tax-Property Article of the State Code, and no real property taxes were assessed against the property as of June 15, 2013;

(ii) the stormwater remediation fee imposed on the property has not been paid in whole or in part since June 15, 2013; and

(iii) there is an incorrect mailing address on file with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation for the owner of the property subject to interest on an overdue stormwater remediation fee.

(2) THE CONTROLLER, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE DIRECTOR, MAY AUTHORIZE A ONE-TIME WAIVER OF INTEREST AND PENALTIES ACCRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 4-1-103 OF THIS CODE ON AN OVERDUE STORMWATER REMEDIATION FEE BETWEEN 2013 AND THE DATE OF THE WAIVER IF THE OVERDUE STORMWATER REMEDIATION FEE IS IMPOSED ON PROPERTY OWNED BY A NONPROFIT ENTITY EXEMPT FROM COUNTY REAL PROPERTY TAX UNDER THE TAX-PROPERTY ARTICLE OF THE STATE CODE, AND NO COUNTY REAL PROPERTY TAXES WERE ASSESSED AGAINST THE PROPERTY BETWEEN JUNE 15, 2013 AND THE DATE OF THE WAIVER.

[[(2)]] (3) Once interest and penalties are waived under this subsection, they may not be waived again for the same property.

[[(3)]] (4) Notwithstanding this subsection, the County may collect, in accordance with \$1-8-101 of this Code or any provision of State or County law, an overdue stormwater remediation fee and any interest or penalty that is not waived.

SECTION 2. And be it further enacted, That this Ordinance shall take effect 45 days from the date it becomes law.