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Legislative and Fiscal Summary of Administration Legislation

To: Members, Anne Arundel County Council

From: Ethan Hunt, Director of Government Affairs /s/

Date: April 21, 2025

Subject: Bill No. 31-25 – AN ORDINANCE concerning: Public Works –
Subdivision and Development – Zoning –Conforming Bill Nos. 72-24,
75-24, and 80-24

This summary was prepared by the Anne Arundel County Government Relations Office for use by members of the Anne Arundel County Council during consideration of Bill No. 31-25.

Summary

This Bill, submitted at the request of the Administration, the Office of Planning and Zoning, and the Office of Law, makes conforming non-substantive changes to conform Bills 72-24, 75-24, and 80-24, so that the changes from each bill do not, upon codification, supersede, wipe out, or conflict with each other as a result of the differing effective dates. Bill 72-24 is effective on July 1, 2025. Bill 75-24 went into effect on February 2, 2025, and Bill 80-24 went into effect on January 2, 2025. An explanation of each change in this bill is below.

1. Both Bills 72-24 and 80-24 added § 13-5-813(k)(3). Bill 80-24 is already in effect, so (k)(3) is currently in the Anne Arundel County Code. When Bill 72-24 becomes effective on July 1, subsection (k)(3) from that bill will cause (k)(3) from 80-24 to be deleted and replaced. To ensure that does not happen, this bill renumbers what was (k)(3) in Bill 72-24 to (k)(4) with no substantive change.
2. Both Bills 72-24 and 75-24 added § 17-2-101 (19) (grandfathering). Bill 75-24 is already in effect, so item (19) from that bill is currently in place. When Bill 72-24 becomes effective on July 1, item (19) from that bill will cause item (19) from 75-24 to be deleted and replaced. This bill renumbers what was (19) in Bill 72-24 to item (20) to ensure that does not happen. There is no substantive change to item (20).
3. Bill 72-24 made changes to §§ 17-7-604 through 606 to replace “open space” with “open area”. Bill 75-24 combined all of those sections into § 17-7-604, and already

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incorporated all of the changes from 72-24. This true up bill therefore repeals the changes to those sections made in 72-24. Without this true up bill, on July 1, the changes from Bill 72-24 would go into place and delete all the changes made in Bill 75-24 to those sections. Therefore, in this bill, the changes from Bill 72-24 are all repealed so they do not go into effect and wipe out all the changes from 75-24. There is no substantive change from either bill.

4. Section 18-8-301 is the mixed use zone use chart. Bill 75-24 repealed the existing section and created new zones and a new use chart. The changes in 72-24 to add the new dwelling types were made to the old use chart, and therefore are now obsolete because the zones are all different. Without this true up bill, the codifier may replace the new mixed use chart with the old chart and old zones when codifying Bill 72-24. Under this true up bill, nothing from the old use chart in Bill 72-24 will go into effect. The bill adds the dwelling types added in Bill 72-24 in the chart for the new mixed-use zones.
5. Section 18-8-303 contains the bulk regulations for mixed use zones. In Bill 72-24, the only change was to remove "net" before density. Bill 75-24 repealed and reenacted the section to create a new bulk regulation chart with the new mixed use zones as discussed above. The changes from 72-24 in this section are now obsolete and therefore are repealed in this bill. Without this bill, the changes from 72-24 could cause the old bulk regulation chart to replace the new mixed use bulk regulation chart.

Purpose

The purpose of this legislation is to conform Bills 72-24, 75-24 , and 80-24 so that the changes from each bill do not, upon codification, supersede, wipe out, or conflict with each other as a result of the differing effective dates.

Fiscal Impact

Please see the Fiscal Note the Budget Office has prepared for an explanation of the fiscal impact of this Bill.

Additional Information

The Government Relations Office is available to answer any additional questions regarding this Bill. Specific questions should be directed to Kelly Kenney, Office of Law, or Lynn Miller, Office of Planning and Zoning. Thank you.

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