



Montgomery County Council

From the office of Councilmember Phil Andrews

News Advisory

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**PUBLIC SAFETY CHAIR ANDREWS TO HOLD NEWS
CONFERENCE ON NEW FIRE SPRINKLER LEGISLATION &
FISCAL/ PUBLIC SAFETY IMPACTS OF
NEW FIREFIGHTER CONTRACT**

Councilmember Phil Andrews, chair of the Council's Public Safety Committee, will hold a 12:30 PM Monday news conference to announce legislation he will sponsor to require adequate sprinklers for high-rise residential buildings in the wake of this week's tragic fire.

Andrews sponsored legislation passed in 2003 by the Council requiring sprinklers in all new single-family homes built in the County.

Andrews will also discuss the serious fiscal and public safety implications of the proposed new contract between the County and firefighters. A Management & Fiscal Policy Committee meeting on the Fire contract, which must be approved by the Council, will follow Andrews' news conference at 2 PM.

When: Monday, April 18 12:30 PM

**Where: Council Office Building, 100 Maryland Avenue in
Rockville, 3rd Floor Conference Room.**

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