

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee

FROM: Amanda Mihill, Legislative Attorney *A. Mihill*  
Michael Faden, Senior Legislative Attorney

SUBJECT: **Public Hearing:** Bill 4-14, Streets and Roads – County Street Lights

Bill 4-14, Streets and Roads – County Street Lights, sponsored by Councilmembers Berliner, Floreen and Riemer, Council Vice President Leventhal, and Councilmembers Elrich, Andrews, and Navarro, was introduced on January 28, 2014. A Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee worksession is tentatively scheduled for February 26, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.

Bill 4-14 would require any contract that the County enters into to maintain street lights to be with a company that specializes in LED lights. Many current street lights are outdated and inefficient, and LED lighting is more energy efficient and requires less maintenance.

Councilmember Berliner explained the purpose of this Bill in his January 14 memorandum describing his proposed energy/environmental package. See ©20 of Bill 2-14, Agenda Item 13.

The Fiscal and Economic Impact statement for this Bill will be transmitted after March 17 (see ©4).

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Bill No. 4-14  
Concerning: Street and Roads – County  
Street Lights  
Revised: 12/17/2013 Draft No. 1  
Introduced: January 28, 2014  
Expires: July 28, 2015  
Enacted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Executive: \_\_\_\_\_  
Effective: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sunset Date: None  
Ch. \_\_\_\_\_, Laws of Mont. Co. \_\_\_\_\_

## COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

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By: Councilmembers Berliner, Floreen, and Riemer, Council Vice President Leventhal, and  
Councilmembers Elrich, Andrews, and Navarro

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**AN ACT** to:

- (1) require any contract that the County enters into for the maintenance of street lights to be with a company that specializes in LED lights; and
- (2) generally amend County law regarding streets and roads and environmental sustainability.

By adding

Montgomery County Code  
Chapter 49, Streets and Roads  
Section 49-19A

<b>Boldface</b>	<i>Heading or defined term.</i>
<u>Underlining</u>	<i>Added to existing law by original bill.</i>
[Single boldface brackets]	<i>Deleted from existing law by original bill.</i>
<u>Double underlining</u>	<i>Added by amendment.</i>
[[Double boldface brackets]]	<i>Deleted from existing law or the bill by amendment.</i>
* * *	<i>Existing law unaffected by bill.</i>

*The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following Act:*

**Sec. 1. Section 49-19A is added as follows:**

**49-19A. Energy efficient street lights.**

(a) Definitions. In this Section, the following words have the meanings indicated:

Director means the Director of the Department of Transportation.

Light-emitting diode light or LED light means a semiconductor device that produces visible light when an electrical current is passed through it.

(b) When any contract to maintain street lights owned by the County in effect on January 21, 2014, expires, any later maintenance contract must be with a company that specializes in, and commits to install, LED lights or another energy efficient technology that the Director finds is equivalent or superior to LED lights.

*Approved:*

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Craig L. Rice, President, County Council

Date

*Approved:*

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Isiah Leggett, County Executive

Date

*This is a correct copy of Council action.*

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Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council

Date

## LEGISLATIVE REQUEST REPORT

Bill 4-14

*Streets and Roads – County Street Lights*

<b>DESCRIPTION:</b>	Would require any County contract to maintain street lights to be with a company that specializes in LED lights.
<b>PROBLEM:</b>	Many current street lights are outdated and inefficient. LED lighting is far more energy efficient and requires far less maintenance.
<b>GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:</b>	To upgrade the efficiency and life span of County street lights through contracting requirements.
<b>COORDINATION:</b>	Department of Transportation, Department of General Services
<b>FISCAL IMPACT:</b>	To be requested.
<b>ECONOMIC IMPACT:</b>	To be requested.
<b>EVALUATION:</b>	To be requested.
<b>EXPERIENCE ELSEWHERE:</b>	To be researched.
<b>SOURCE OF INFORMATION:</b>	Amanda Mihill, 240-777-7815
<b>APPLICATION WITHIN MUNICIPALITIES:</b>	To be researched.
<b>PENALTIES:</b>	Not applicable.

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ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND

MEMORANDUM

February 5, 2014

TO: Craig Rice, President, County Council

FROM: Jennifer A. Hughes, Director, Office of Management and Budget  
Joseph F. Beach, Director, Department of Finance

SUBJECTS: Bill 2-14, Environmental Sustainability – Buildings – Benchmarking  
Bill 3-14, Buildings – Energy Efficiency – Energy Standards  
Bill 4-14, Street and Roads – County Street Lights  
Bill 5-14, Environmental Sustainability – Social Cost of Carbon Assessments  
Bill 6-14, Environmental Sustainability – Office of Sustainability – Established  
Bill 7-14, Contracts and Procurement – Certified Green Business Program  
Bill 8-14, Buildings – County Buildings – Clean Energy Renewable Technology  
Bill 9-14, Environmental Sustainability – Renewable Energy – County Purchase  
Bill 10-14, Buildings – Solar Permits – Expedited Review  
Bill 11-14, Buildings – Electric Vehicle Charging Station Permits – Expedited Review

As required by Section 2-81A of the County Code, we are informing you that transmittal of the fiscal and economic impact statements for the above referenced legislation will be delayed because more time is needed to coordinate with the affected departments, collect information, and complete our analysis of the fiscal and economic impacts. While we are not able to conduct the required detailed analyses at this time, it is clear that a number of these bills could have significant fiscal impacts.

Due to this year's heavy workload on Executive branch staff in developing both a full capital budget and an operating budget, the fiscal and economic statements will be transmitted after March 17, 2014.

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cc: Bonnie Kirkland, Assistant Chief Administrative Officer  
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