COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: County Council

SUBJECT: Extension of Time for Council Action on Executive Regulation 26-06, Internet Access Service Standards

Background

1. Executive Regulation 26-06 would establish minimum internet access service standards as required under Bill 41-06, which added a new County Code §11-4A to prohibit merchants from engaging in unfair trade practices with respect to the provision of internet access. Code subsection 11-4A(d) requires the County Executive to issue a Method (2) regulation establishing minimum internet access service standards.

2. On January 30, 2007, the County Council received Executive Regulation 26-06, Internet Access Service Standards from the Executive.

3. Under Method (2), if the Council does not approve or disapprove a regulation within 60 days after the Council receives the regulation, it is automatically approved and takes effect the day after the deadline for approval or a later date specified in the regulation.

4. County Code Section 2A-15 allows the Council by resolution to extend the deadline for action on a regulation under Method (2).

5. On March 8, 2007 the Management and Fiscal Policy Committee held a worksession to review Executive Regulation 26-06 and recommended (2-0, Council President Praisner absent) approval of Executive Regulation 26-06 with amendments.


Action

The County Council for Montgomery County Maryland approves the following resolution:


This is a correct copy of Council action.

Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council