

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
Legislative Session 2024, Legislative Day No. 3

Bill No. 4-24

Mr. Wade Kach, Councilman

By the County Council, February 5, 2024

A BILL
ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Zoning Regulations – Signs – Portable Signs

FOR the purpose of clarifying the definition of portable signs and clarifying that certain portable signs are not permitted in the public right-of-way; and generally relating to signs.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments

Sections 450.3, the definition of “portable sign” listed alphabetically, and 450.6.A.3 Baltimore County Zoning Regulations, as amended

1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE
2 COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations read as follows:

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill.
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

4 ARTICLE 4 – SPECIAL REGULATIONS

5 Section 450 – Signs

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7 § 450.3. General sign definitions.

8 Unless otherwise provided, the following words, as used in Section 450, are defined as
9 follows:

10 Portable Sign – A sign that is not securely anchored to the ground or to a building or
11 structure, is intended to display a message and is comprised of or located on:

12 A. A wheeled or movable designed framework.

13 B. A motor vehicle, whether operative or not, as defined by the Annotated Code
14 of Maryland, Transportation Article.

15 C. A movable structure.

16 D. Movable materials.

17 E. A WEARABLE SIGN, INCLUDING A WEARABLE SANDWICH BOARD
18 OR HAND-HELD SIGN.

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20 § 450.6. General sign requirements.

21 A. Prohibitions. Unless otherwise provided, the following prohibitions are applicable to
22 all signs within the scope of Section 450:

23 3. No sign may be WORN, HELD, placed in, or project into or above, [the street]
24 A COUNTY OR STATE right-of-way or any area owned by a government entity unless
25 otherwise permitted under the Baltimore County Code, as amended, PROVIDED THAT THE
26 FOREGOING SHALL NOT PROHIBIT ON-PREMISES SIGNS FOR GRAND OPENINGS.

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28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act, having been passed by
29 the affirmative vote of five members of the County Council, shall take effect 14 days from the
30 date of enactment.



LEGISLATION DETAIL

LEGISLATION _____

DISPOSITION _____

ENACTED _____

EFFECTIVE _____

AMENDMENTS _____

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