



ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY OFFICE OF THE COUNTY AUDITOR

To: Councilmembers, Anne Arundel County Council
From: Office of the County Auditor
Date: January 16, 2026
Subject: County Auditor's Review of Legislation for the January 20, 2026 Council Meeting

Bill 97-25: Boards, Commissions, and Similar Bodies – Veterans Affairs Commission**Summary of Legislation**

This bill amends the County's Code to reflect State legislation approved during the 2024 Maryland General Assembly Session relating to Veterans. These modifications include the addition of certain definitions, renaming the Anne Arundel County Veterans Affairs Commission to the Anne Arundel County Commission for Veterans and Military Families (Commission), changing affiliation requirements, and adding two members to the Commission, and expanding the comprehensive nature of the Commission's purpose and duties. The Commission requested the introduction of this legislation.

Review of Fiscal Impact

We concur with the Fiscal Note provided by the Administration that this bill has no anticipated fiscal effect on the County.

Bill 98-25: Public Works – Traffic – Zoning – Signs**Summary of Legislation**

This bill repeals and adds new language to Title 3 of Article 18 (Planning and Zoning) and amends Article 13 (Public Works) to comprehensively update the County's regulations regarding permanent and temporary signs. The legislation aims to modernize the County Code to address new sign types, accommodate zoning changes, and ensure constitutionality following Supreme Court rulings that require content-neutral regulation of signage. Key provisions include revised definitions for different types of signs, new methods for measuring sign area, updated allowances for sign size and location, and specific regulations for temporary signs.

Review of Fiscal Impact

We concur with the Administration's fiscal note that this bill has no anticipated effect on the County's operating budget.