

PROPOSED

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2026, Legislative Day No. 9

Bill No. 44-26

Introduced by Ms. Hummer, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

By the County Council, May 1, 2026

Introduced and first read on May 1, 2026
Public Hearings set for May 13 and 19, 2026

By Order: Kaley Schultze, Administrative Officer

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning: Public Works – Utilities – Metered Water and Wastewater
2 Charges

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4 FOR the purpose of modifying metered water and wastewater charges; providing for the
5 effective date of this Ordinance; and generally relating to public works.

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7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments: § 13-5-805(b)
8 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)

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10 SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,*
11 That Section(s) of the Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended) read as follows:

ARTICLE 13. PUBLIC WORKS

TITLE 5. UTILITIES

13-5-805. Metered water and wastewater charges.

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19 (b) **Charges.** The charge for each 1,000 gallons of water usage is ~~[\$3.65]~~ \$3.98 for
20 water and ~~[\$6.42]~~ \$7.00 for wastewater. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, ~~[2026]~~ 2027,
21 and for each fiscal year thereafter, the County Executive shall set the charges for water and
22 wastewater usage in accordance with § 4-11-105 of this Code and may increase the charges
23 in an amount not to exceed 5.00% of the then current charges. Any increase in charges in
24 an amount greater than 5.00% shall be set by the County Council by ordinance. There is
25 an account maintenance charge of \$6.00 per billing cycle regardless of the amount of usage.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate new matter added to existing law and taglines.
[[Brackets]] indicate matter stricken from existing law and taglines.
Captions and taglines in **bold** in this bill are catchwords and are not law.

1 SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Ordinance shall take effect on July 1,
2 2026.