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COUNTY COUNCIL

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DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND

2010 Legislative Session,
Legislative Day 12, 2010

Introduced By: County Council

BILL NO. 2010-17

AN ACT OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF ARTICLE 25A, SECTION 5(T) OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND ADDING NEW ARTICLE V, SECTION 40-21 TO CHAPTER 40 OF THE PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND, BEING ARTICLE 10 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF MARYLAND, ENTITLED SNOW EMERGENCY PARKING ON COUNTY STREETS AND ROADS; REGULATING THE USE, OPERATION AND DRIVING OF VEHICLES ON COUNTY ROADS AND STREETS WHILE A SNOW EMERGENCY IS IN EFFECT PROVIDING FOR VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES, ALL TO PROMOTE AND MAINTAIN THE PEACE, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE CITIZENS OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND.

Introduced, read first time, ordered posted on official bulletin board of County, County Office Building, 501 Court Lane, Cambridge, Maryland 21613.

Ordered publication for once a week for two (2) successive weeks, and public hearing scheduled on Tuesday, October 5, 2010 in Room 110, County Office Building, 501 Court Lane, Cambridge, Maryland at 6:15 p.m.

By order: Jane Baynard
Jane Baynard, County Manager

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SECTION ONE: Acting under the authority of Article 25A, Section 5(T) of The Annotated Code of Maryland (the "Act"), be it ENACTED and ORDAINED by the County Council of Dorchester County, Maryland that new Article V, Section 40-21 be added to the Code of Public Local Laws of Dorchester County, Maryland, being Article 10 of the Public Local Laws of Maryland entitled "Snow Emergency – Parking on County Streets and Roads" to read as follows:

CHAPTER 40 – ROADS - ARTICLE V - SNOW EMERGENCY – PARKING ON COUNTY STREETS AND ROADS

§ 40-21 SNOW EMERGENCY-PARKING ON COUNTY STREETS AND ROADS:

- A. The County Council shall have the authority to declare a snow emergency.
- B. It shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle on a County road or street during the time a snow emergency is in effect.
- C. The Dorchester County Sheriff's Office shall have the authority to take possession of, issue citations for remove, tow away and impound any vehicle found parked, stalled, incapable of proceeding under its own power or left unattended upon any County road or street while a snow emergency is in effect.
- D. Before the owner thereof may obtain possession of such vehicle, he shall first pay the cost of removing such vehicle and any storage charges.

E. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a vehicle on any County road or street while a snow emergency is in effect without chains or adequate snow tires on two wheel drive vehicles, should such vehicle become stalled or incapable of proceeding under its own power.

F. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this subsection of this Chapter, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$500.00.

SECTION TWO: BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND that General Code Publishers is directed to codify new Article V, Section 40-21 to the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland.

SECTION THREE: Be it further ENACTED and ORDAINED by the County Council of Dorchester County, Maryland that this Bill shall be known as Bill No. 2010-17 of Dorchester County, Maryland and shall take effect sixty (60) days after its final passage.

PASSED this 5th day of October, 2010.

ATTEST:

COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: Jane Baynard
Jane Baynard, County Manager

Jay L. Newcomb
Jay L. Newcomb, President

APPROVED this 5th day of October, 2010.

ATTEST:

COUNTY COUNCIL OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, Maryland:

BY: Jane Baynard
Jane Baynard, County Manager

Jay L. Newcomb
Jay L. Newcomb, President

Newcomb - yes
Elzey - yes
Nichols - yes
Price - yes
Travers - yes

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