

Expedited Bill No.: 33-04  
Concerning: Homeland Security—  
Reorganization  
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Ch. 25, Laws of Mont. Co. 2004

## COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Council President at the request of the County Executive

### **AN EXPEDITED ACT to:**

- (1) create the Department of Homeland Security within the Executive Branch;
- (2) establish certain functions for the Department of Homeland Security; and
- (3) generally amend County law regarding emergency management and homeland security.

### By Adding

Montgomery County Code  
Chapter 2, Administration  
Division 21, Department of Homeland Security  
Section 2-64O

### By Amending

Chapter 1A, Structure of County Government  
Section 1A-201, Establishing Departments and Principal Offices

Chapter 21, Fire and Rescue Service  
Section 21-12(a)(9), Master fire, rescue, and emergency medical services plan.

#### **Boldface**

Underlining

[Single boldface brackets]

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*Heading or defined term.*

*Added to existing law by original bill.*

*Deleted from existing law by original bill.*

*Added by amendment.*

*Deleted from existing law or the bill by amendment.*

*Existing law unaffected by bill.*

*The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following Act:*

**Sec. 1. Section 2-64O is added and Sections 1A-201 and 21-12 are amended as follows:**

**1A-201. Establishing departments and principal offices.**

**(a) Executive Branch.**

**(1) These are the departments and principal offices of the Executive Branch.**

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**Health and Human Services [Section 2-42A]**

**Homeland Security [Section 2-64O]**

**Housing and Community Affairs [Section 2-27 et seq.]**

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**Division 21. Department of Homeland Security**

**2-64O. [Department of Homeland Security.] Functions and organization.**

**[(a) Generally.] The Department of Homeland Security is responsible for planning, managing, and integrating the County's emergency management and homeland security programs. The Department has the following functions:**

- (a) Undertake emergency management and disaster preparedness planning, and coordinate response and recovery operations to a disaster.**
- (b) Coordinate homeland security intelligence programs in conjunction with the Montgomery County Police, Sheriff, and other local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies and disease surveillance systems of public health.**
- (c) Manage the interdepartmental governance of the Public Safety Communications Center (PSCC) and the Alternate Public Safety Communications Center (APSCC), and coordinate the interoperability of the PSCC and the APSCC with state, regional, and federal agencies.**

25           (d)    Develop and integrate policies and procedures on homeland security, emergency  
26               management, and emergency preparedness with the Montgomery County Fire and  
27               Rescue Service; the Departments of Police, Health and Human Services; and  
28               Public Works and Transportation; the Office of the Sheriff; and other County  
29               government departments and public agencies as necessary.

30           (e)    Coordinate community outreach and volunteer support of emergency  
31               preparedness and homeland security.

32           (f)    Coordinate the County's homeland security and emergency preparedness  
33               programs with federal, state, regional, [[and]] local, and municipal agencies and  
34               the Housing Opportunities Commission, Montgomery College, Montgomery  
35               County Public Schools, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning  
36               Commission, Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, Washington  
37               Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, and utilities and telecommunications  
38               companies doing business in the County.

39           (g)    Develop, coordinate, and manage state and federal grants relating to homeland  
40               security and emergency preparedness.

41           (h)    [[Plan and manage]] Coordinate the security of County facilities[[;]],

42           (i)    Coordinate and integrate the County's public health emergency preparedness  
43               programs and response.

44           (j)    Undertake other related functions designated by the County Executive.

45 **21-12. Master fire, rescue, and emergency medical services plan.**

46 (a) The Commission must review the master fire, rescue, and emergency medical  
47 services plan on an ongoing basis, and must propose any appropriate amendments to  
48 the Fire Chief, Executive, and Council. The master plan must include at least:

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50 (9) a [detailed] program of action to [integrate] coordinate with the Department  
51 of Homeland Security, the County's fire prevention and control and  
52 emergency services resources into County-wide, regional, State, and national  
53 emergency management plans.

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**Sec. 2. Exneditd effective date.**

55 The Council declares that this legislation is necessary for the immediate protection of the  
56 public interest. This Act takes effect on January 1, 2005.

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58 *Approved:*

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Steven A. Silverman, President, County Council

OCT 27, 2004  
Date

60 *Approved:*

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Douglas M. Duncan, County Executive

Nov. 4, 2004  
Date

62 *This is a correct copy of Council action.*

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Mary A. Edgar, CMC/Clerk of the Council

Nov. 5, 2004  
Date