

# HOUSE BILL 635

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By: **Prince George's County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: January 22, 2021

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Emergency Management Agency, Department of Transportation, and**  
3 **Department of the Environment – Study on Historic and Recent Flooding in**  
4 **Prince George's County**

5 **PG 407-21**

6 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Emergency Management Agency, the  
7 Department of Transportation, and the Department of the Environment to study  
8 flooding in Prince George's County; requiring that the study analyze, evaluate, and  
9 examine certain information, measures, and issues; requiring that the study develop  
10 certain recommendations; requiring the Agency, the Department of Transportation,  
11 and the Department of the Environment to report the findings and  
12 recommendations, on or before a certain date, to the Governor, the members of the  
13 Prince George's County Senate delegation, the members of the Prince George's  
14 County House delegation, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, and  
15 the General Assembly; and generally relating to flooding in Prince George's County.

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

17 That:

18 (a) The Maryland Emergency Management Agency, the Department of  
19 Transportation, and the Department of the Environment shall study flooding in Prince  
20 George's County.

21 (b) The study shall:

22 (1) analyze flooding in Prince George's County, including:

23 (i) historic flooding; and

24 (ii) flooding that occurred on September 10, 2020;

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1                   (2)     evaluate existing and potential flood prevention and control measures,  
2 including physical infrastructure;

3                   (3)     examine environmental issues associated with flooding in Prince  
4 George's County; and

5                   (4)     develop recommendations, including long- and short-term solutions,  
6 on addressing the impacts of flooding and associated environmental issues in Prince  
7 George's County.

8           (c)     On or before October 15, 2021, the Maryland Emergency Management Agency,  
9 the Department of Transportation, and the Department of the Environment shall report  
10 the findings and recommendations to the Governor, the members of the Prince George's  
11 County Senate delegation to the General Assembly, the members of the Prince George's  
12 County House delegation to the General Assembly, the President of the Senate, the Speaker  
13 of the House, and, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, the  
14 General Assembly.

15           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
16 1, 2021.