



Bill No. 17-09

Concerning: Dog Tethering Law

Introduced: April 4, 2017

Revised: \_\_\_\_\_ Draft No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Frederick County Code, Chapter 1-5

Section(s) 26 (A)(1)

## COUNTY COUNCIL FOR FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Council Member Jerry Donald

**AN ACT** to: Amend Frederick County Code § 1-5-26 (A)(1) to reduce from ten to four, the number of hours a dog may be fastened, chained, tied, or restrained to any stationary or inanimate object for the purpose of confinement.

Executive: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By amending:

Frederick County Code, Chapter, 1-5 Section(s) 26(A)(1)

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Heading or defined term.*  
*Added to existing law.*  
*Deleted from existing law.*  
*Existing law unaffected by bill.*

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The County Council of Frederick County, Maryland, finds it necessary and appropriate to amend Chapter 1-5 (Animals and Fowl), Section 26 (A)(1) of the Frederick County Code to reduce from ten to four, the number of hours a dog may be fastened, chained, tied, or restrained to any stationary or inanimate object for the purpose of confinement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Frederick County Code be, and it is hereby, amended as shown on the attached Exhibit 1.

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Harold F. (Bud) Otis, President  
County Council of Frederick County,  
Maryland

**§ 1-5-26 PROPER RESTRAINT, SHELTER, PROTECTION AND CARE FOR DOGS.**

*(A) Restraint requirement*

(1) It shall be unlawful for any person to tether, fasten, chain, tie, restrain or cause a dog to be fastened, chained, tied, or restrained to any stationary or inanimate object by means of a rope, chain, strap, or other physical restraint for the purpose of confinement for more than [ten hours] four (4) hours, cumulatively in any 24-hour period.

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[Single boldface brackets] indicates matter deleted from existing law.  
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