PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2022 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CB-013-2022

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Committee: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Date: 03/17/2022

Action: FAV

REPORT: Favorable 9-0: Council Members Hawkins, Burroughs, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Ivey, Streeter, Taveras, and Turner. Absent: Davis, and Harrison.

The County Council convened as the Committee of the Whole on March 17, 2022, to consider CB-013-2022, an act concerning Code Adam Alerts in County Buildings. The bill would establish County agency requirements and procedures for responding to missing, abducted, and/or exploited children in County Buildings.

Council Chair Hawkins noted discussions with senior law enforcement officials from around the region, community interest, and inquiries as having been the genesis of this enabling legislation to create Code Adam alerts in our county buildings.

The County Executive's liaison expressed support for the legislation and advised the Council that conversations with the Office of Information Technology have led to work toward creating an alert system that can be used via digital devices such as laptops and mobile phones.

The Policy Analysis and Fiscal Note states in summary that based on Council staff's review, if there are any impacts, they would likely be minimal.

The Office of Law reviewed CB-013-2022, as it was presented on March 1, 2022, and finds it to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

After discussion, a motion was made by Council Chair Hawkins, seconded by Council Member Glaros, and the Committee of the Whole voted CB-013-2022 out favorably, 9-0.