



# THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

## Office of Audits and Investigations

September 24, 2015

### MEMORANDUM

TO: Robert J. Williams, Jr.  
Council Administrator

William M. Hunt  
Deputy Council Administrator

THRU: David H. Van Dyke *DHV*  
County Auditor

FROM: Inez N. Claggett *INC*  
Legislative Auditor

RE: Fiscal Impact Statement  
CB-70-2015 Litter

Pursuant to your request, we have reviewed CB-70-2015 to estimate its fiscal impact on Prince George's County, Maryland.

CB-70-2015 will prohibit the deposit or placement of litter on land within the County, to include public land or rights of way and increases the penalty for noncompliance to \$1,000 for each violation. The proposed Bill also increases to \$1,000 the fine for a person primarily responsible for the removal of litter who breaches said duty as outlined in Section 23-150 of the Prince George's County Code.

The Office of Audits and Investigations contacted the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement to obtain a history of litter fines issued during the current and previous fiscal years, however, the information requested has not been provided to date.

Enactment of CB-70-2015 will have a positive fiscal impact on the County as a result of the increase in the fines for littering and the lack of litter removal. However, an accurate approximation of the fiscal impact on the County cannot reasonably be estimated. Since the fee was doubled, the County could potentially see an increase in revenue that is double what has been collected in the past.

If you require additional information, or have questions about this fiscal impact statement, please call me.

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