

# Prince George's County Council

## Agenda Item Summary

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**Meeting Date:** 10/2/2007  
**Reference No.:** CB-017-2007  
**Draft No.:** 1  
**Proposer(s):** County Executive  
**Sponsor(s):** Exum  
**Item Title:** An Act concerning Supplementary Appropriations and Interdepartmental Transfer of Appropriations for the purpose of declaring additional revenue, appropriating revenue in excess of budget estimates to provide funds for costs that were not anticipated in the approved Fiscal Year 2007 Budget for various County Departments, and transferring surplus appropriations reflecting savings from various County Departments

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### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

<b>Date Presented:</b>	6/5/2007	<b>Executive Action:</b>	10/10/2007 S
<b>Committee Referral:</b>	6/5/2007 - PSFM 9/11/2007 - C.O.W.	<b>Effective Date:</b>	11/26/2007

**Committee Action:** 6/18/2007 - HELD  
7/9/2007 - HELD  
9/11/2007 - FAV

**Date Introduced:** 9/11/2007  
**Public Hearing:** 10/2/2007 - 1:30 PM

**Council Action (1)** 10/2/2007 - ENACTED  
**Council Votes:** MB:A, WC:A, SHD:-, TD:N, CE:A, DCH:A, TK:-, EO:A, IT:A  
**Pass/Fail:** P  
**Remarks:** Retroactive to 6/30/2007

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### AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

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### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**Date 9/11/2007**

Committee vote: Favorable, 8-1 (In favor: Councilmembers Exum, Bland, Campos, Dean, Harrington, Knotts, Olson and Turner. Opposed: Dernoga.)

Held in PSFM Committee on 6-18-07 and 7-9-07.

The following items were requested by members of the PSFM Committee during their discussion of this bill on 7-9-07:

1. A plan for controlling overtime expenditures by the Police and Fire Departments.

2. A list of the CIP projects that were in the FY07 CIP but not included in the FY08 CIP.
3. A list of the activities, programs or emergencies that precipitated the increases in overtime.
4. A list of the proposed reductions as a result of the Council not approving the increase in the telecommunications tax.

This bill will provide \$63,445,000 in additional General Fund revenues to cover costs that were not anticipated in the FY2007 Approved Budget. This amount will be declared from on-going General Fund revenues from the following:

Real Property Taxes: \$7,628,100  
 Personal Property Taxes: \$883,400  
 Use of Money & Property: \$9,409,000  
 Transfer Tax: \$12,257,500  
 Recordation Tax: \$5,117,000  
 Use of Fund Balance: \$28,200,000  
 TOTAL - \$63,445,000

The Drug Enforcement and Education Special Revenue Fund will provide additional revenues of \$2,900,000 from its fund balance which will be used to cover overtime and equipment costs for drug enforcement and drug education related activities in the Police Department.

The Fleet Management Internal Service Fund will use \$400,000 in revenues from its fund balance to pay for depreciation and other operating costs.

These agencies will have their net General Fund appropriations for expenditures reduced by the following amounts:

Department of Environmental Resources: \$450,000  
 Office of Information Technology and  
 Communication: \$1,700,000  
 Department of Family Services: \$255,700  
 Total net reductions: \$2,405,000

The additional revenue will cover costs that are projected to exceed the approved budget levels for a number of County Departments. The expenditures of the public safety agencies, Police (\$18.5), Fire/EMS (\$8.3), Corrections (\$4.6), Sheriff (\$1.4), and Office of Homeland Security (\$599,400) will account for \$33.4 million in additional costs. The main components of the additional costs are overtime, the impact of the collective bargaining agreements and unanticipated operating expenses. In addition, the Office of Central Services (\$908,200) experienced unexpected contractual cost increases in facilities operations and the Board of Elections (\$275,700) as a result of higher costs in compensation and fringe benefits due to temporary hiring associated with the last election. The Department of Public Works and Transportation will need additional revenue (\$1.1 million) to cover costs associated with higher contract costs for snow removal and the purchase of salt. Also, the Community College will need additional funds to cover the half-year impact of transferring the adult education program from the Board of Education during FY2007.

The Non-Departmental General Fund will receive increased revenue in the amount of \$30.2 million which will cover the following costs:

1. Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)- \$ 25,000,000
2. Enterprise Resource System (pay-go money) - \$3,200,000
3. State of Maryland (workforce services grant) - \$1,826,700

The enactment of CB-17-2007 will have a negative impact on the County in the amount of \$66,745,000.

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:**

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

This legislation will provide for supplementary appropriations and interdepartmental transfer of appropriations in excess of budget estimates and uncommitted fund balance for Fiscal Year 2007. The General Fund appropriations total \$63.4 million and will support various agency spending and one-time expenditures. In addition, appropriations will support the Drug Enforcement and Education Special Revenue Fund and the Fleet Management Internal Service Fund.

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**CODE INDEX TOPICS:**

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**INCLUSION FILES:**

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