

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 11/25/97

**Reference No.:** CB-11-1997

**Proposer:** Estepp

**Draft No.:** 3

**Sponsors:** Estepp

**Item Title:** An Act to revise the provisions of the County Code  
pertaining to the Prince George's County Police  
Department

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**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

**Date Presented:** 4/1/97

**Executive Action:** 12/17/97 S

**Committee Referral:**(1) 4/1/97 PSFM

**Effective Date:** 2/2/98

**Committee Action:** 4/16/97 HELD

**Committee Action:** 6/5/97 HELD

**Committee Action:** 10/16/97 FAV (A)

**Committee Referral:**(2) 10/21/97 PSFM

**Committee Action:** 10/23/97 FAV (A)

**Date Introduced:** 10/28/97

**Pub. Hearing Date:** 11/25/97 10:15 AM

**Council Action:** (1) 10/21/97 RECOMMIT

**Council Votes:** DB:A, SD:A, JE:A, IG:A, TH:A, WM:A, RVR:-, AS:A, MW:A

**Pass/Fail:** P

**Council Action:** (2) 11/25/97 ENACTED

**Council Votes:** DB:A, SD:A, JE:A, IG:A, TH:A, WM:A, RVR:-, AS:A, MW:A

**Pass/Fail:** P

**Remarks:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND FISCAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT** Date: 10/23/97

Committee Vote: Favorable as amended, 4-0, (In favor: Council Members Wilson, Estepp, Maloney and Scott)

The bill was returned to the committee prior to introduction. On 10/23/97 the committee voted to add Sections 18-157 and 18-159 to the sections of the bill being repealed and delete certain sections of 18-186.

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND FISCAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT** Date: 10/16/97

Committee Vote: Favorable as amended, 5-0, (In favor: Council Members Wilson, Estepp, Gourdine, Maloney and Scott).

This bill will revise the existing law providing for the administration of the Police Department in accordance with legal, management and policy changes which have not taken place over the last forty (40) years. Many of the provisions of Subtitle 18 are obsolete, inapplicable, inaccurate and have been replaced by a comprehensive General Order Manual. The revisions and deletions in this legislation reflect the Police Department's response to modernization without any significant policy modifications.

This bill was held in Committee on 6/5/97 at the request of the Chief Administrative Officer to facilitate the Administration's thorough review.

There should not be any negative fiscal impact on the County as a result of enacting CB-11-1997.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT**  
**(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)**

The proposed legislation is a comprehensive revision of the County Code provisions regulating the administration of the Police Department. The legislation deletes out of date provisions and recognizes the current administration of the Department through regulations contained in the General Order Manual. This legislation has been extensively reviewed by the Police Department and incorporates the Department's review comments.

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