

# **Prince George's County Council**

## **Agenda Item Summary**

Meeting Date: 2/11/2025 Effective Date: 2/11/2025

**Reference No.:** CR-008-2025 Chapter Number:

Draft No.: 1 Public Hearing Date:

**Proposer(s):** County Executive **Sponsor(s):** Ivey and Hawkins

Item Title: A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE REVISED ELDERLY PROPERTY TAX

CREDIT for the purpose of delaying the effective date of CB-007-2024 - The Revised Elderly Property Tax Credit, and to provide the necessary time to revise CB-007-2024 and enact legislation that clarifies the senior citizens eligibility for a

senior tax credit.

**Drafter:** Terry L. Bell, Esq., Associate, Office of Law

Resource Personnel: Joseph C. Ruddy. Esq., Deputy County Attorney, Office of Law

#### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

02/11/2025

| Date:      | Acting Body:   | Action:                 | Sent To: |
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| 02/11/2025 | County Council   | introduced and referred | COW      |
|            | Action Text: This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Ivey and Hawkins and referred |                         |          |

to the Committee of the Whole.

COW Favorably County Council

recommended with

amendments

#### **Action Text:**

A motion was made by Council Member Oriadha, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended with amendments to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 Burroughs, Harrison, Dernoga, Fisher, Olson, Oriadha and Watson

Absent: 2 Ivey and Blegay

Abstain: 1 Hawkins

02/11/2025 County Council new draft substituted

### **Action Text:**

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that a new draft of this Resolution be substituted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Burroughs, Dernoga, Fisher, Hawkins, Olson and Watson

Absent: 4 Ivey, Blegay, Harrison and Oriadha

02/11/2025 County Council adopted

#### **Action Text:**

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 Burroughs, Dernoga, Fisher, Hawkins, Olson and Watson

Absent: 4 Ivey, Blegay, Harrison and Oriadha

#### **AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:**

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:**

Council and the Administration proposed this joint Resolution to refine and improve the goals outlined in the Senior Property Tax Credit Bill, CB-007-2024 (DR2), which was passed by Council in November 2024.

While CB-007-2024 (DR2) reflects important intentions, we collectively recognize the need for revisions to ensure its clarity, fiscal responsibility, and ease of implementation. To ensure that this legislation best meets the needs of our seniors, we are working together to draft a new Bill that prioritizes: (1) ensuring seniors understand how to access the credit and meet eligibility requirements, (2) streamlining the process to make it easier for applicants and officials, (3) balancing the goal of supporting seniors with the financial sustainability of the program, and (4) equitable access for our senior residents who need assistance the most.

**Document(s):** R2025008, CR-008-2025 Summary, CR-008-2025 Transmittal, CR-008-2025 Proposed Amendment 1, CR-008-2025 (Proposed DR-2)