

# **Prince George's County Council**

## **Agenda Item Summary**

**Meeting Date:** 10/14/2025 **Effective Date: Reference No.:** CB-096-2025 **Chapter Number:** 

Draft No.: 1 Public Hearing Date:

**Proposer(s):** Hawkins

**Sponsor(s):** Hawkins, Fisher, Oriadha, Burroughs, Blegay, Watson, Dernoga, Ivey,

Adams-Stafford and Harrison

Item Title: AN ACT CONCERNING RETURNING CITIZEN EMPLOYMENT

OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 2025 for the purpose of reducing recidivism and improving public safety by requiring that a certain percentage of the work hours on certain public procurement projects be worked by returning citizens, subject to certain conditions; and generally relating to the employment of returning citizens.

**Drafter:** Josh Hamlin, Legislative Attorney

Resource Personnel: Mel Franklin, Chief of Staff

### **LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
10/07/2025	County Council	presented and referred	
10/07/2025	Action Text: This Council Bill was presented and referred County Council rules suspended		
10/07/2023	Action Text: A motion was made by Council Member Hawkins, seconded by Council Member Ivey, that the rules be suspended for this Council Bill. The motion carried by the following vote:		

Aye: 11 Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, Watson, Ivey,

Burroughs, Oriadha and Adams-Stafford

10/07/2025 County Council introduced

**Action Text:** 

This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Hawkins, Fisher, Oriadha, Burroughs, Blegay, Watson, Dernoga, Ivey, Adams-Stafford and Harrison.

### **AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:**

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

This bill will generally require that at least five percent (5%) of the work hours on any new construction or public works, roadway maintenance, or property maintenance contract or procurement authorized by

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Subtitle 10A or otherwise administered by any County agency or quasi-County agency be worked by returning citizens. For existing contracts, the requirement will be imposed at the time of renewal or extension. "Returning citizen" means, generally, a US citizen who has previously been confined for any period of time as a result of a criminal conviction. The bill also provides for waivers under certain circumstances.

**Document(s):** B2025096