

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

Meeting Date: 7/30/96

Reference No.: CB-79-1996

Proposer: Council Member Maloney

Draft No.: 2

Sponsors: Council Members Maloney, Scott, Estepp, and Wilson

Item Title: Charter Amendment to provide for the filling of a
vacancy in the Council by direct election under
certain circumstances

Drafter: Ralph E. Grutzmacher
Legislative Officer

Resource Personnel: Andy Eppelmann
Legislative Aide

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented: 7/2/96

Executive Action: __/__/__ __

Committee Referral:(1) 7/2/96 C.O.W.

Effective Date: 12/6/96

Committee Action:(1) 7/9/96 FAV (A)

Date Introduced: 7/9/96

Pub. Hearing Date: (1) 7/30/96 10:15 AM

Council Action: (1) 7/30/96 ENACTED

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

Pass/Fail: P

Remarks: Approved at Referendum - 11/5/96

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT

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

This bill proposes to amend Section 309 of the Charter of Prince George's County to provide for the election of a Council Member in the event of a vacancy which occurs more than ninety days prior to a primary or general election. The amendment would require the members of the Council at the time of the vacancy to schedule a special election within 90 days, but not less than 30 days, of the vacancy to fill the vacancy. If a vacancy occurs within 90 days of the primary or general election, the Council seat shall remain vacant until the election.

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