

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

Meeting Date: 3/14/2000**Reference No.:** CB-4-2000**Proposer:** County Executive**Draft No.:** 2**Sponsors:** Wilson, Bailey

Item Title: An Act transferring appropriations between capital projects, and amending the approved capital program of the County with regard to expenditures and financing beyond the budget year (Renovation and Expansion for the Prince George's County Court House)

Drafter: Barbara L. Holtz
Law**Resource** Steve Kaplan
Personnel: OMB

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**Date Presented:** 1/18/2000 **Executive Action:** 3/31/2000 S**Committee Referral:** 1/18/2000 PSFM **Effective Date:** 5/16/2000**Committee Action:** 2/3/2000 FAV**Date Introduced:** 2/15/2000**Public Hearing:** 3/14/2000 1:30 P.M.**Council Action:** 3/14/2000 ENACTED**Council Votes:** DB:-, JE:A, IG:A, TH:A, WM:A, RVR:A, AS:A, PS:A, MW:-**Pass/Fail:** P**Remarks:** See also CR-2-2000

PUBLIC SAFETY AND FISCAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT Date: 2/3/00

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

This bill will transfer \$1.09 million in appropriation authority between a contingency project in the Capitol Budget in Public Works to the Prince George's County Courthouse project (formerly Criminal Court Complex). (page 15). The County is attempting, through the Memorandum of Understanding (pages 4-13) incorporated as an attachment to the legislation, to reach a three-party agreement with the State and the Revenue Authority to renovate the existing Duvall Wing and construct the Marbury Wing Addition (See CR-2-2000). The Duvall renovation is expected

to cost \$14.9 million. The County will fund \$12.7 million through the sale of General Obligation Bonds (GOB), at an estimated annual debt service cost of approximately \$1.15 million. The State is expected to fund the remaining \$2.2 million in advance or to repay the County in debt service. This will require the County to increase its bond sale from \$12.7 to \$14.9 million, and increase the County's annual debt service by \$200,000. However, the State will reimburse the County for the additional debt service cost.

The proposed amendments in this legislation will advance the design funds for the Marbury Wing Addition into the budget year and construction funds into the subsequent two fiscal years. (page 14). Based upon future lease payments, the Revenue Authority will issue \$22.1 million in bonds. Included in this amount are \$19.8 million for construction and \$2.3 million for capitalized interest and bond issuance costs. The State payment will provide for the semi-annual debt payments to retire the bonds over a 15 year period.

The County Executive expressed his delight in finding a way to finance this necessary capital improvement that will enhance the operation and efficiency of the County's judicial system.

The Legislative Officer and the Office of Law have reviewed the legislation and find it to be in proper legislative form.

There should not be any negative fiscal impact on the County as a result of enacting CB-4-2000.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT

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

This legislation will amend the FY2000-2005 Capital Improvement Program which will enable the County to proceed with the long-awaited renovation and addition to the Prince George's County Courthouse.

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