

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2014 Legislative Session

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Committee: **HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES**

Date: 10/09/2014

Action: FAV

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Patterson, Davis, Harrison, Lehman and Turner)

CB-87 amends the composition of the Prince George's Commission for Children, Youth and Families. There are currently twenty-five (25) voting members. The purpose of this amendment is to reduce the voting membership to eleven (11). This amendment will assist the Commission in achieving its procedural goals by lowering the threshold needed to achieve a quorum. The Council and Executive members shall remain active and the nine (9) voting members will be appointed.

This legislation will also modify the current terminology related to the title of "Chairperson."

The Department of Family Services representative indicated that this proposed composition model is reflective of Commissions in other jurisdictions throughout the State. Commissions in other jurisdictions on an average have five (5) to seven (7) members up to 15 members.

It was further stated that the passage of this amendment will put the Commission in compliance with its governing By-Laws set forth in the State of Maryland Policies and Procedures Manual for Local Management Boards. A copy of the By-Laws was distributed to the Committee Members.

The Office of Audits and Investigations determined that enactment of CB-87 will not have an adverse fiscal impact on the County.

The Office of Law finds it to be in proper legislative form.