



Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date:

Effective Date:

Reference No.: CR-078-2025

Chapter Number:

Draft No.: 1

Public Hearing Date:

Proposer(s): Hawkins

Sponsor(s): Hawkins

Item Title: A RESOLUTION CONCERNING JUDICIAL TRAINING ON CHILD CUSTODY CASES INVOLVING CHILD ABUSE OR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE for the purpose of urging judges and magistrates who preside over child custody cases in Prince George's County courts to regularly review and ensure compliance with the latest training programs regarding child custody cases involving child abuse or domestic violence offered by the Judicial College of Maryland and relevant state initiatives, pursuant to the Annotated Code of Maryland, Family Law Article Section 9-101.3 and emphasizing the critical importance of continuing education in these matters.

Drafter: Ramon Gonzalez, Legislative Attorney

Resource Personnel: Brielle Bucksell, Domestic Violence Liason

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
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AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

This resolution urges ongoing compliance with judicial training requirements under Maryland Law which mandates specialized education for judges and magistrates who preside over child custody cases involving child abuse or domestic violence. This resolution emphasizes the importance of continuing education to ensure that judicial officers remain current on the complexities and best practices in these sensitive matters. It also calls for the distribution of the resolution to key court administrators to reinforce institutional accountability and awareness of these critical matters.

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