

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**2016 Legislative Session**

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**Reference No.:** CR-067-2016  
**Draft No.:** 2  
**Committee:** PSFM  
**Date:** 09/29/2016  
**Action:** FAV as Amended

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**REPORT: 1**

Committee Vote: Favorable as Amended, 3-0 (In Favor: Council Members Franklin, Patterson, and Turner)

CR-067-2016 seeks to establish a policy requiring the County to maintain a list of real property owned by an individual who is 65 years old, and scheduled for tax sale. The Resolution also seeks to require the sharing of the aforementioned list with the Department of Family Services.

Chapter 668, Laws of Maryland 2008 (House Bill 722) requires the County to maintain a list of property owners who have held ownership of their property for 25 years or more, and who are delinquent in remitting their property taxes. Under this proposed legislation the Director of Finance shall provide to the Department of Family Services prior to the annual tax sale, a list of properties owned by individuals for at least 25 years, with delinquent property taxes, which are scheduled for tax sale.

During the Committee meeting, Linda Allen of the Office of Finance explained the current process. She also pointed out the Office of Finance does not keep records by age.

After the discussion the resolution was amended to conform with State Law. All references to the age 65 were stricken and the words 25 years or more was inserted in lieu thereof. This also requires a title change for CR-067-2016. These changes are incorporated in Draft 2 of the resolution.

The Office of Audits and Investigations reports that adoption of CR-067-2016 will not have an adverse fiscal impact on the County.

The Public Safety and Fiscal Management Committee voted favorably on CR-067-2016, 3-0 as amended.