

Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 10/7/2025 **Effective Date:** 10/7/2025

Reference No.: CR-077-2025 Chapter Number:

Draft No.: 2 Public Hearing Date:

Proposer(s): Hawkins

Sponsor(s): Hawkins, Burroughs, Blegay, Watson, Harrison, Dernoga and Ivey

Item Title: A RESOLUTION CONCERNING IMPROVING POLICE AND DRIVER

INTERACTIONS DURING TRAFFIC STOPS for the purpose of creating a driver handbook with a description of law enforcement procedures during traffic stops and actions drivers and passengers should take during traffic stops, including appropriate

interactions with law enforcement officials.

Drafter: Ramon Gonzalez, Legislative Attorney

Resource Personnel: Michael Vaughn, Policy Director, At-Large Council Member Hawkins Office

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:	
06/17/2025	County Council	introduced and referred	HHSPS	
	Action Text:			

This Resolution was introduced by Council Member Hawkins, Burroughs, Blegay, Watson, Harrison, Dernoga, and Ivey and referred to the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee.

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09/04/2025 HHSPS amended (1)

Action Text:

A motion was made by Chair Blegay, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Resolution be amended (1). The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 Olson, Watson, Blegay and Fisher

Absent: 1 Oriadha

09/04/2025 HHSPS Favorably County Council

recommended with

amendments

Action Text:

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Vice Chair Fisher, that this Resolution be Favorably recommended with amendments to the County Council. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 Olson, Watson, Blegay and Fisher

Absent: 1 Oriadha

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new draft substituted

Action Text:

A motion was made by Council Member Fisher, seconded by Council Member Ivey, that a new draft of this Resolution be substituted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Olson, Watson, Ivey, Burroughs and Adams-Stafford

Absent: 3 Blegay, Hawkins and Oriadha

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adopted

Action Text:

A motion was made by Council Member Watson, seconded by Council Member Fisher, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Olson, Watson, Ivey, Burroughs and

Adams-Stafford

Absent: 3 Blegay, Hawkins and Oriadha

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

Prince George's County local police departments in 2023 had an estimated 33,443 traffic stops. These traffic stops can often be an intense and stressful situation for both the driver and law enforcement officials. This resolution aims to create a driver handbook which explains law enforcement procedures to drivers in order to create positive and appropriate interactions with law enforcement officials. This handbook would be created by the Office of Integrity, Compliance, and Police Accountability in collaboration with the Police Accountability Board.

Document(s): R2025077, CR-077-2025 Report, CR-077-2025 PAFI, CR-077-2025 OOL