

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2024 Legislative Session

Bill No. CB-18-2024

Chapter No. _____

Proposed and Presented by Council Member Harrison

Introduced by _____

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction _____

BILL

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Fiscal Impact Statements Responsibility and Good Government

3 For the purpose of requiring the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to submit a
4 statement to the Council describing the fiscal impact of each piece of legislation before Council
5 action; specifying the contents of the fiscal impact statement; and generally amending the law
6 governing the consideration of legislation by the County Council.

7 BY adding:

8 SUBTITLE 2. ADMINISTRATION.

9 Section 2-105,

10 The Prince George's County Code

11 (2023 Edition).

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
13 Maryland, that Section 2-105 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby
14 added:

15 SUBTITLE 2. ADMINISTRATION.

16 DIVISION 1. COUNTY COUNCIL.

17 **Sec. 2-105. [Reserved.] Fiscal Impact Statements.**

18 (a) Definitions. In this Section, the following words and phrases have the following
19 meanings:

20 (1) Director means the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

21 (2) Fiscal impact means an estimate of changes in future County revenue and

1 expenditures attributable to a change in the law.

2 (3) Legislation means a bill or resolution under consideration by the Council.

3 (b) Fiscal impact statements. The Director shall submit a statement to the Council
 4 describing the fiscal impact, if any, of each piece of legislation. The Director shall submit a
 5 separate statement for each-piece of legislation.

6 (c) Time for submission. A fiscal impact statement should be submitted to the Council:

7 (1) no later than 7 days before the first Committee session at which the legislation
 8 is considered on each bill or resolution presented or introduced, respectively, by
 9 the Council Chair at the request of the County Executive; and

10 (2) the ~~later~~ ~~earlier~~ of no more than:

11 (A) twelve (12) days after a bill or resolution sponsored by a
 12 Councilmember is presented or introduced, respectively; or

13 (B) two (2) days before the first Committee session at which the
 14 legislation is considered.

15 (3) If the Director is unable to submit the statement within the time required by
 16 paragraph (2), the Director shall notify the Council Chair in writing of the delay,
 17 the reason for the delay, and the revised delivery date. If the Council Chair finds
 18 that the revised delivery date is unreasonable, the Council Chair may set a
 19 different delivery deadline.

20 (d) Content of fiscal impact statement. Each fiscal impact statement shall include:

21 (1) the sources of information, assumptions, and methodologies used;

22 (2) an estimate of changes in County revenues and expenditures regardless of
 23 whether the revenues or expenditures are assumed in a recommended or approved
 24 budget;

25 (3) revenue and expenditure estimates covering at least the next ~~six (6)~~ ~~four (4)~~
 26 fiscal years;

27 (4) [an actuarial analysis through the entire amortization period for each piece of
 28 legislation that would affect retiree pension or group insurance costs] ~~analysis of the~~
 29 full personnel cost of the legislation;

30 (5) [later actions that may affect future revenue and expenditures if the legislation
 31 authorizes future spending;

(6) an estimate of the additional staff time and resources needed to implement the legislation;

(7) [an explanation of how the addition of new staff responsibilities would affect other duties;

(8) an estimate of costs when an additional appropriation is needed;

(9) a description of any variable that could affect revenue and cost estimates;

(10) ranges an explanation of revenue or expenditures that are uncertain or difficult to project; and

(11) if the legislation is likely to have no fiscal impact, why that is the case.

(e) Compliance. Council action on legislation that is otherwise valid is not invalid because of any failure to follow the requirements of this Section.

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SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the provisions of this Act are hereby declared to be severable; and, in the event that any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining words, phrases, clauses, sentences, subparagraphs, paragraphs, subsections, or sections of this Act, since the same would have been enacted without the incorporation in this Act of any such invalid or unconstitutional word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, subparagraph, subsection, or section.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect [forty-five (45) calendar days after it becomes law] on October 1, 2025.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2024.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Jolene Ivey
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____

BY: _____

Angela D. Alsobrooks
County Executive

KEY:

Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.

[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.

Asterisks *** indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.

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