

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2025 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CR-132-2025

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Committee: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Date: 10/21/2025

Action: FAVORABLE

REPORT: Committee Vote: Favorable, 10-0 (In favor: Chair Burroughs, Vice-Chair Oriadha, Council Members Adams-Stafford, Blegay, Dernoga, Fisher, Harrison, Hawkins, Olson, and Watson)

The Prince George's County Council, sitting as the Committee of the Whole (COW), convened on October 21, 2025, to consider CR-132-2025. The Planning, Housing and Community Development (PHED) Committee Director summarized the purpose of the resolution and provided committee members with feedback from agencies within Prince George's County. The County Executive transmitted CR-132-2025 to the Council for consideration of endorsing the redesignation of the Prince George's County Enterprise Focus Areas.

The Enterprise Zone Program provides significant County real property tax credits and state income tax credits to eligible businesses and property owners. Enterprise Zone Focus Areas enhance both real property tax credits and state income tax credits; it also provides business personal property tax credits. The Focus Areas must be located within the existing Enterprise Zone and must meet certain criteria for consideration. The State reimburses the County for half of the real property tax credits and pays for all income tax credits based on job creation.

The existing Focus Areas must be recertified by October 15, 2025, to remain within the current Enterprise Zone. The application includes all the current Focus Areas (Seat Pleasant, Capitol Heights, Forest Heights, and Landover Hills) and does not add any new designations. If approved by the Maryland Department of Commerce, property and business owners will be eligible to apply for the Focus Area incentives for an additional five years. This program will help us support our existing businesses, attract new businesses, create new jobs, and enhance the County's tax base.

The Office of Law found the resolution to be in proper legislative form with no impediments to its adoption.

On a motion by Council Member Harrison, seconded by Council Member Fisher, the Committee of the Whole voted 10-0 in favor of CR-132-2025.