

The Planning Board supports the legislation, and the Legislative Officer found it to be in proper legislative form. Several technical amendments were noted. Carolyn Watson, representing DER, requested that the legislation be amended to include a reference to the necessity of final approval of the rezoning by the Critical Area Commission in order to alert applicants of this additional requirement. She also requested that CB-86 be sent to the Commission for their approval with CB-101, CB-102, CB-103, CB-104, and CB-105, so that they make considered as a package. The Committee agreed to both requests.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT

(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

Amendments to overlay maps are currently processed under procedures designed for the original comprehensive map adoption. This has resulted in unnecessarily cumbersome processes and difficult time constraints for the piecemeal applications. The procedures in this bill, which are based upon the current requirements for conventional piecemeal map amendments, are more appropriate for this type of application.

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Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Overlay Zones

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