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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**

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**RE:** Policy Analysis and Fiscal Impact Statement  
**CR-009-2026** ICE Detainees in Prince George's County

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**CR-009-2026** (*Proposed by Council Chair Oriadha and Councilmember Fisher*)

Assigned to the Committee of the Whole

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**A RESOLUTION CONCERNING ACCOUNTING OF ICE DETAINEES IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY** for the purpose of reaffirming the County Council's commitment to the protection of civil rights and civil liberties for all people; and directing that the County partner with a local non-profit entity to develop a roster of all residents of the County in potential Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") custody.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**Direct Impact:**

*Expenditures:* Transfer of project charge funds to Prince George's County Council in the amount of \$12,060,000.

*Revenues:* None.

**Indirect Impact:**

No indirect impact.

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**Legislative Summary:**

CR-009-2026, proposed by Council Chair Oriadha and Councilmember Fisher, was introduced on February 17, 2026, and referred to the Committee of the Whole. CR-009-2026 would reaffirm the County Council’s commitment to the protection of civil rights and civil liberties for all people. The County would also be directed to partner with a local non-profit entity to create a list of individuals ICE may have in custody.

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**Current Law/Background:**

Under Section 1017(c)<sup>1</sup> of the County Charter, a Resolution has the force and effect of law but is of a temporary or administrative character. The legislation is proposed during a period when the immigration detention system by the federal government is being expanded. Since January 2025, there were 39,700 people in detention centers across the United States. This has increased to 68,290 as of February 7, 2026<sup>2</sup>. Currently, there are plans to increase the maximum detention capabilities of ICE to 92,600 beds by the end of November 2026<sup>3</sup>. In Maryland, the expansion of operations by ICE can be seen through the recent purchase of facilities in cities such as Hagerstown<sup>4</sup>. The proposed legislation would establish a method to track the increased number of people expected to be arrested and detained in 2026 by ICE. The public will also have a way to readily access information on detainees within the County.

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**Resource Personnel:**

- Josh Hamlin, Legislative Attorney
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<sup>1</sup> [Section 1017. - Definitions and Rules of Construction.](#)

<sup>2</sup> [By the numbers: the latest ICE and CBP data on arrests, detentions and deportations in the US](#)

<sup>3</sup> [ICE to spend \\$38.3 billion on detention centers across US, document shows](#)

<sup>4</sup> [Washington County backs ICE operations following DHS warehouse purchase](#)

### **Discussion/Policy Analysis:**

CR-009-2026 aims to provide transparency around immigration enforcement methods by the federal government. Currently, immigration facilities detention data is obtained through a combination of official statistics published by ICE<sup>5</sup>, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS)<sup>7</sup>, and independent sources<sup>8</sup>. The variety of sources can create confusion when it comes to determining exact numbers for detentions. There is also the issue that names are typically not made publicly available, which can make it difficult to keep track of individuals being arrested and detained. The list of detainees would be created through a partnership between the County and a non-profit entity, which would be made available to the public.

### **Areas of Consideration:**

- Prohibiting information disclosure for potential refugees, asylum seekers, and domestic violence victims
  - Current Federal Law restricts information disclosure for individuals seeking immigration relief<sup>9</sup>, which includes Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) confidentiality-protected case files.
- Accounting for Transfers
  - Recent immigration enforcement in Minnesota has resulted in the rapid transfer of detainees to out-of-state locations<sup>10</sup>. If a roster of detainees is made for the County, it may be necessary to ensure the list is rapidly generated to prevent the data from becoming out of date.
- State Legislation Impact
  - The passage of House Bill 444<sup>11</sup>/Senate Bill 245<sup>12</sup> ban 287(g)<sup>13</sup> agreements in the State, but still permits local jurisdictions to work with the federal government on shared public safety priorities.

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### **Fiscal Impact**

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<sup>5</sup> [ICE Enforcement and Removal Operations Statistics](#)

<sup>6</sup> [Detention Management - ICE](#)

<sup>7</sup> [ICE Detentions - Office of Homeland Security Statistics](#)

<sup>8</sup> [Deportation Data Project](#)

<sup>9</sup> [8 USC 1367: Penalties for disclosure of information](#)

<sup>10</sup> [Judge orders ICE to stop rapid transfers of detainees out of Minnesota](#)

<sup>11</sup> [HB0444 - Public Safety - Immigration Enforcement Agreements - Prohibition](#)

<sup>12</sup> [SB0244 - Public Safety - Immigration Enforcement Agreements - Prohibition](#)

<sup>13</sup> Authorizes ICE to delegate certain immigration enforcement powers to state, local, and tribal law enforcement under federal supervision.

*Direct Impact*

The adoption of CR-001-2026 should not have a fiscal impact, as it is a transfer of appropriations for previously approved recreation programming and partnerships to a council-directed pilot program.

*Indirect Impact*

The adoption of CR-009-2026 will not have an indirect impact.

*Appropriated in the Current Fiscal Year Budget*

Yes.

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**Effective Date of the Proposed Legislation**

This proposed resolution shall take effect on the date of adoption.

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If you require additional information or have questions about this fiscal impact statement, please email or call me.