

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

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**Meeting Date:** 10/17/2000

**Reference No.:** CB-77-2000

**Proposer:** County Executive

**Draft No.:** 2

**Sponsors:** Bailey, Wilson, Scott

**Item Title:** An Act providing that a certain portion of the monies in the Drug Enforcement and Education Special Revenue Fund shall be appropriated to the Sheriff for certain purposes

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**Drafter:** Barbara L. Holtz  
Law

**Resource** Fred Thomas, Office of the  
**Personnel:** County Executive

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**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

**Date Presented:** 9/6/2000

**Executive Action:** 11/6/2000 S

**Committee Referral:** 9/6/2000 PSFM

**Effective Date:** 12/22/2000

**Committee Action:** 9/21/2000 FAV(A)

**Date Introduced:** 9/26/2000

**Public Hearing:** 10/17/2000 1:30 P.M.

**Council Action:** 10/17/2000 ENACTED

**Council Votes:** DB:A, JE:A, IG:A, TH:A, WM:A, RVR:A, AS:A, PS:A, MW:-

**Pass/Fail:** P

**Remarks:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**PUBLIC SAFETY & FISCAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT** Date: 9/21/00

Committee Vote: Favorable as amended, 5-0, (In favor: Council Members Wilson, Estepp, Maloney, Russell and Scott).

This bill will provide for a portion of the property seized by the Office of the Sheriff to be appropriated to the Office of the Sheriff. Proceeds from drug enforcement activities are administered through the County's Drug Enforcement and Education Special Revenue Fund (DEESRF).

Currently, the Police Department is allocated sixty-five percent (65%) for law enforcement activities. The Health Department receives twenty percent (20%) for drug prevention, education and treatment programs. The State's Attorney's Office receives the remaining fifteen percent (15%) for its Special Narcotics Prosecution Office.

This legislation will allow the Office of the Sheriff to retain sixty-five percent (65%) of the proceeds from property seized by the Office of the Sheriff. This would replace the portion normally allocated to the Police Department in cases where the Office of the Sheriff is responsible for the seizure and not the Police Department. These seized funds will be used by the Office of the Sheriff for law enforcement activities.

A technical amendment was made on pp 1, line 9 by deleting "1995 Edition, 1998 Supplement" and inserting "1999 Edition".

There should not be any negative fiscal impact on the County as a result of enacting CB-77-2000.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT**

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

This bill would allow the Office of the Sheriff to retain sixty-five percent (65%) of the proceeds from property seized by the Office of the Sheriff to be used for law enforcement activities.

#### **CODE INDEX TOPICS:**