## PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

2024 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CB-066-2024

**Draft No.:** 2

**Committee:** COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**Date:** 9/24/2024

**Action:** FAVORABLE (A)

**REPORT:** Committee Vote: Favorable, as amended, 8-0 (In favor: Chair Ivey, Council Members Blegay, Burroughs, Dernoga, Hawkins, Olson, Oriadha, and Watson)

The County Council convened as the Committee of the Whole on September 24, 2024, to consider CB-66-2024. The PHED Committee Director summarized the purpose of the legislation and informed the Committee of written comments received on referral. As presented on September 10, 2024, Draft-1 of the bill requires the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE) to maintain an online searchable public database of all licensed short-term rentals in the County, requires certain database information, and generally regarding short-term rentals.

The Division on Budget and Policy provided a policy analysis stating the bill's direct and indirect fiscal impact. There will be a small adverse direct budgetary impact because of the requirement to create a searchable database. DPIE can create a searchable database by modifying the current database maintained by DPIE. The cost associated with maintenance is likely non-existent or minimal. The bill's enactment will not have a significant indirect fiscal impact because it will provide additional transparency for residents in neighborhoods with short-term rentals. The legislation may also reduce the number of short-term rentals operating without a license within the County.

Ms. Canning, the Legislative Attorney, provided additional legislative background on the bill. The bill will extend the database to be made public with information regarding the host, physical address, Council district, municipality, license number, and any outstanding code violation information.

Next, Ms. Canning discussed the amendments to the bill. The amendments are as follows:

On page 3, lines 12 through 13, delete the words "but not be limited."

On line 13, delete the words "owner name" as recommended by DPIE because the resident agent's information is required for limited liability companies and corporations.

On line 14, delete the words "registration number" as recommended by DPIE.

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Ms. Sakinda Skinner, County Council Liaison with the County Executive's Office, supported the bill with the incorporated amendments and thanked the bill sponsor.

Ms. Dinora Hernandez with the Office of Law found the bill to be in proper legislative form and found no legal impediments to its enactment.

Next, on a motion of Council Member Watson, seconded by Council Member Olson, the Prince George's County Council, sitting as the Committee of the Whole, voted 8-0 favorably on CB-066-2024 as amended.