PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: 5/16/95 Reference No.: CB-3-1995

Proposer: County Executive **Draft No.:** 1

Sponsors: Del Giudice, Wilson, Bailey, Maloney, and Estepp

Item Title: To set the County income tax rate at 60%, retroactively

effective to January 1, 1995

Drafter: Barbara L. Holtz **Resource Personnel:** Barbara L. Holtz

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented: 2/14/95 **Executive Action:** 5/16/95 S

Committee Referral: (1) 2/14/95 PSFM Effective Date: 7/1/95

Committee Action:(1) 3/1/95 FAV(A)

Date Introduced: 4/25/95

Pub. Hearing Date: (1) 5/16/95 1:30 PM

Council Action: (1) 5/16/95 Enacted

Council Votes: AMC: A, DB: A, SDG: A, JE: A, IG: A, WM: A, RVR: A, AS: N, MW: A_

Pass/Fail: P

Remarks:

PUBLIC SAFETY & FISCAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT DATE: 3/1/95

Committee Vote: Favorable with amendments, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Estepp, Del Giudice,

Gourdine, Maloney and Russell).

This bill will increase the County's income tax rate from 58% to 60% retroactively effective January 1, 1995. The County Executive requested this legislation to help preserve some of the most essential programs and services provided to the citizens of Prince George's County.

Amendments:

- 1. On page 1, lines 14-15, delete "effective in January 1, 1996", and insert "retroactively effective to January 1, 1995".
- 2. On page 2, delete after "County", lines 8-13 and insert "effective January 1, 1995".
- 3. On page 3, line 2, after "law", insert "and that Section 1 of this Act shall be retroactively effective to January 1, 1995".

The increase of the County income tax rate to 60% instead of allowing it to decrease to 58% on January 1, 1996, will have a positive fiscal impact on the County by generating an additional \$3.3 million in revenue during FY96.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT

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

This legislation will increase the County's "piggy back" income tax rate to 60% for calendar year 1996.

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