PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2024 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CB-032-2024

Draft No.: 2

Committee: GOFP

Date: June 13, 2024

Action: FAV(A)

REPORT: Committee Vote: Favorable with amendments 5-0 (Council Members Watson, Harrison, Dernoga, Franklin, Oriadha)

The Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee convened on June 13, 2024, to consider CB-032-2024, an act concerning Local Impact Grant Funds. This act generally relates to local impact grant funds and requires the annual allocation of a certain percentage of Annual Local Gaming Revenue to youth and young adult employment readiness and financial literacy transition programs or housing stability programs for senior citizens.

Council staff provided an overview of the Bill, which amends County law to expand the range of eligible expenses. This includes youth employment programs and support for seniors, as eligible expenses for 50% of annual local gaming revenue funding requires annual local gaming revenue and local impact grants.

Council Member Burroughs described the legislation's intent, which is to provide an opportunity to support youth and seniors and the necessary flexibility. He also thanked State Senator Muse and Council Member Dernoga for their support over the years that led to this legislation.

Sakinda Skinner, representing the Office of the County Executive, stated that the Administration supports the legislation, draft 2, as amended.

Those speaking in support of CB-32 included:

Ms. Sheila Fagan

MD State Senator Anthony Muse

Patricia Monroe

Thomas Wilson

Council member Oriadha thanked the sponsor and suggested an amendment to remove the reference to direct payments from page 3, line 2, section A.

After discussion, the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy voted 5-0 favorably on CB-32-2024 as amended.