# **Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary**

**Meeting Date:** 3/1/2011 **Reference No.:** CR-016-2011

**Draft No.:** 1

**Proposer(s):** Lehman

**Sponsor(s):** Lehman, Turner, Olson, Franklin, Johnson

**Item Title:** A Resolution concerning Maryland Offshore Wind Clean Energy Production for the purpose

of expressing the support of the Prince George's County Council for the use offshore wind

turbines off the coast of Maryland as a means to produce clean energy for the State.

**Drafter:** Todd M. Turner, Legislative Officer

Resource Personnel: Matthew Dernoga, District 1

### **LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

Date Presented:Executive Action:Committee Referral:2/15/2011 - THEEffective Date:

**Committee Action:** 2/24/2011 - FAV

**Date Introduced:** 2/15/2011

**Public Hearing:** 

Council Action (1) 3/1/2011 - ADOPTED

Council Votes: WC:A, MRF:A, AH:A, LJ:A, ML:-, EO:A, OP:A, IT:A, KT:A

Pass/Fail: P

Remarks:

### **AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

## **Transportation, Housing and Environment**

Date 2/24/2011

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0(In favor: Council Members Olson, Turner, Patterson, Lehman and Toles)

Staff provided a summary of the resolution and referral comments that were received. CR-16-2011 concerns the Maryland Offshore Wind Clean Energy Production for the purpose of expressing the support of the Prince Georges County Council for the use of offshore wind turbines off the coast of Maryland as a means to produce clean energy for the State.

Council Member Lehman provided additional information to the Committee.

The Office of Law determined that CR-16-2011 was in proper legislative form.

The Office of Audits and Investigation indicated there will be no adverse fiscal impact on the County as a result of adopting CR-16-2011.

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# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:**

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

On November 10, 2010, the U.S. Department of the Interior's Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement issued a Request for Interest (RFI) in constructing wind turbines in federal waters of the State of Maryland's Atlantic coast. Governor O'Malley in his February 3, 2011 State of State Address expressed his support for Maryland Offshore Wind Energy Act to create more renewable energy in Maryland and support the creation of green manufacturing, assembly and servicing jobs on the shore and waters of Maryland

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