

# **Prince George's County Council**

## **Agenda Item Summary**

Meeting Date: 11/19/2024 Effective Date: Reference No.: CB-006-2024 Chapter Number:

**Draft No.:** 2 **Public Hearing Date:** 11/19/2024 @ 10:00 AM

**Proposer(s):** Oriadha, Blegay, Burroughs and Hawkins

**Sponsor(s):** Oriadha, Blegay, Burroughs, Hawkins and Dernoga

Item Title: AN ACT CONCERNING PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY RE-ENTRY

EMPLOYMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM for the purpose of expanding the Re-Entry Employment Incentive Program to County government agencies;

providing for regulations and qualifications to the Re-Entry Employment Incentive Program for County agencies; establishing the Re-Entry Employment Incentive Program Fund; requiring a minimum annual appropriation; ; providing an exception to the hiring preference requirement; requiring reporting requirements; and generally

relating to re-entry hiring.

**Drafter:** Jibril Brown, Legislative Attorney

**Resource Personnel:** Joel Peebles

#### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	<b>Acting Body:</b>	Action:	Sent To:
02/13/2024	County Council	presented and referred	HHSPS

**Action Text:** 

This Council Bill was presented by Council Members Oriadha, Blegay, Burroughs and Hawkins and referred to the Health, Human Services and Public Safety Committee.

03/21/2024 HHSPS Held in Committee

**Action Text:** 

A motion was made by Council Member Olson, seconded by Chair Fisher, that this Council Bill be held. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 Fisher, Blegay, Olson and Watson

Absent: 1 Hawkins

04/04/2024 HHSPS Held in Committee

**Action Text:** 

A motion was made by Vice Chair Hawkins, seconded by Council Member Watson, that this Council Bill be Held in Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 Fisher, Hawkins, Olson and Watson

Absent: 1 Blegay

10/17/2024 HHSPS Favorably County Council

recommended with

amendments

**Action Text:** 

A motion was made by Council Member Watson and second by Council Member Hawkins that this Council Bill be Favorably recommended with amendments. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 Fisher, Hawkins, Blegay, Olson and Watson

10/22/2024 County Council introduced

**Action Text:** 

This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Oriadha, Blegay, Burroughs, Hawkins and Dernoga.

#### **AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:**

16-150.01

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

This bill will allow for the creation of the Re-Entry Preferred Hiring Fund that will reserve a portion of County funds to be exclusively utilized for the hiring of individuals with non-violent criminal offense(s). In addition to the creation of the Re-Entry Preferred Hiring Fund, it also mandates the creation of the Re-Entry Preferred Hiring Program that the will be administered by the Director of Human Resources Management. In particular, the legislation is essential and needed for the promotion of the County's commitment to curbing recidivism by offering the County's returning citizens meaning employment with the County. The County Council derives it authority for enacting this bill from section 904 of Article IX of the County Charter.

**Document(s):** B2024006, CB-006-2024 Report, CB-006-2024 PAFI