

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: 9/10/96

Reference No.: CB-82-1996

Proposer: County Executive

Draft No.: 2

Sponsors: Del Giudice, Bailey

Item Title: An Act concerning Food Service Facilities for the purpose of providing an optional inspection prior to the sale of a food service facility and amending the certified food service manager requirements to be consistent with those of other metropolitan area jurisdictions

Drafter: Donald Nork
Health Department

Resource Personnel: Arthur Thacher
Health Officer

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented: 7/9/96

Executive Action: 10/21/96 S

Committee Referral:(1) 7/9/96 HEHS

Effective Date: 12/5/96

Committee Action:(1) 9/11/96 FAV (A)

Date Introduced: 9/17/96

Pub. Hearing Date: (1) 10/8/96 1:30 P.M.

Council Action: (1) 10/8/96 Enacted

Council Votes: SD:A, DB:A, JE:A, IG:A, AMc:A, WM:A, RVR:A, AS:A, MW:A

Pass/Fail: P

Remarks: _____

HEALTH, EDUCATION & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Date 9/11/96

Committee Voted: Favorable with Amendments, 4-0 (In favor: Bailey, MacKinnon, Scott and Wilson).

This bill amends the County's food service manager certification requirements to maintain reciprocity/acceptance agreements with other metropolitan area jurisdictions. This allows for the transfer of certified managers from one jurisdiction to another. The bill provides for certification based upon a challenge examination and add provisions which enhance the Health Department's

ability to regulate food service managers. Also included is an optional change of ownership inspection prior to the sale of a permitted food service facility.

Concern was raised regarding prorating the fee for a food service manager's certificate for less than the three year period. The consensus was that prorating of this minimal fee would be confusing and not cover the administrative costs.

After discussion, the Committee moved to amend the bill, eliminating the prorated fee, thus requiring a Draft 2. The fee for this license will remain at \$25.00.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT

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

This bill will provide an optional inspection service prior to the sale of a food service facility and amend the certified food service manager requirements to be consistent with metropolitan area jurisdictions.

The Office of Audits & Investigations states there may be some positive fiscal impact related to fees from change of ownership inspections. However, since the inspection is optional, an amount cannot be estimated.

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