Prince George's County Council
Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date:	9/11/2007
Reference No.:	CB-023-2007
Draft No.:	1
Proposer(s):	County Executive
Sponsor(s):	Turner, Dean, Harrington, Knotts, Campos, Bland, Olson
Item Title:	An Act concerning the Citizen Complaint Oversight Panel for the purpose of increasing the compensation of members of the Citizen Complaint Oversight Panel and generally relating to the Citizen Complaint Oversight Panel

Drafter:	Kathleen H. Canning, Office of Law
Resource Personnel:	Vernon R. Herron,Director of Homeland Security

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:	7/2/2007	**Executive Action:**	10/1/2007 S
Committee Referral:	7/2/2007 - PSFM	**Effective Date:**	11/16/2007
Committee Action:	7/9/2007 - FAV		
Date Introduced:	7/24/2007		
Public Hearing:	9/11/2007 - 10:00 AM		
Council Action (1)	9/11/2007 - ENACTED		
Council Votes:	MB:A, WC:A, SHD:A, TD:-, CE:A, DCH:A, TK:A, EO:A, IT:A		
Pass/Fail:	P		
Remarks:			

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

18-186.03

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC SAFETY & FISCAL MANAGEMENT **Date 7/9/2007**

Committee vote: Favorable, 5-0, (In favor: Councilmembers Knotts, Campos, Dean, Exum and Harrington.)

This legislation will increase the annual compensation of the members of the Citizen Complaint Oversight Panel (CCOP) from $10,000 to $15,000 in any twelve month period. Currently, the CCOP members are reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties and are compensated at a rate of $50.00 per hour for meetings and required training.

During the FY2008 budget review, the Panel reported that it was processing 400% more cases in FY2006 than in FY2001. In order to meet the increase, the Panel started meeting two or more nights per week, in an effort to comply with the current 30-day case-review time standard. The current annual compensation limit of $10,000 is not sufficient to enable the Panel to meet current rising caseloads and critical training needs.

There will be a negative fiscal impact on the County in the amount of approximately $35,000 per year if all seven members receive the maximum annual compensation provided by CB-23-2007.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:
(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)

This legislation increases the compensation of members of the Citizen Complaint Oversight Panel (CCOP). Currently, CCOP members may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties and are compensated at the rate of Fifty Dollars ($50) per hour for meetings. No member receives more than Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000) in any twelve (12) month period. Due to the increased workload of CCOP, this legislation will increase the compensation of CCOP members from no more than Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000) in any twelve (12) month period to no more than Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000) in any twelve (12) month period.

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