

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2026 Legislative Session

Reference No. : CR-012-2026

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Committee: Education and Workforce Development

Date: March 9, 2026

Action: FAV(A)

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable 4-0 (In favor: EWD Chair Adams-Stafford, Council Members Dernoga, Olson, Harrison; Excused: Council Member Burroughs)

The Education and Workforce Development Committee convened on March 9, 2026, to consider CR-012-2026, a resolution concerning enhanced African American Studies curriculum in Prince George's County for the purpose of the County Council affirming its support for mandatory, comprehensive, and interdisciplinary African-American history instruction in all Prince George's County Public Schools.

EWD Chair Adams expressed support for multicultural education and then stated several amendments, including language that this Resolution should be inclusive of Latino history and Asian and Pacific Islander history, and that sequential timelines be included for the integration of all the interdisciplinary content: African American history by 2027, Latino history by 2028, and Asian and Pacific Islander history by 2029.

The Policy Analysis and Fiscal Impact Statement noted that the enactment of CR-012-2026 may have a slightly adverse fiscal impact on the County to the extent that additional professional development costs may be incurred. Council Member Harrison inquired about the potential implications of this cost. EWD Chair Adams-Stafford responded that the Resolution supports the gradual implementation of this multicultural interdisciplinary instruction and that the school system can therefore plan accordingly and potentially alleviate additional professional development costs.

The Office of Law found the resolution to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption.

On March 9, 2026, the Education and Workforce Development Committee voted favorably on CR 012-2026, as amended: 4-0