



THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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County Council

POSITION STATEMENT

PG: 506-25 County Superintendent of Prince George's County – Selection Process – Alteration

POSITION

SUPPORT FAVORABLE

The Prince George's County Council strongly supports the passage of PG 506-25, which introduces essential modifications to the selection process for the County Superintendent of Prince George's County Public Schools. This legislation represents a significant step toward ensuring that public school leadership aligns with the community's priorities and fosters greater transparency and accountability in decision-making.

We support the critical reforms this legislation proposes, including:

Empowering the County Board of Education to select the County Superintendent through a majority vote, thereby shifting this authority from the County Executive.

Establishing clear and collaborative processes for evaluating candidates and negotiating contract terms, ensuring that the final decision reflects consensus among board members.

Adjusting the terms, eligibility, and approval requirements for the County Superintendent to align with the newly board-centered selection model.

Providing a streamlined process for appointing interim superintendents during vacancies, ensuring stability in school leadership.

PG 506-25 is a forward-thinking measure that strengthens the role of the Prince George's County Board of Education in selecting leadership that reflects the needs and priorities of the community. It also ensures a more transparent and collaborative selection process while maintaining stability in school operations.

The Prince George's County Council respectfully urges your favorable consideration of this legislation, recognizing its potential to enhance accountability, equity, and transparency in our public schools.

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