

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

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**Meeting Date:** 3/18/2003

**Reference No.:** CB-7-2003

**Proposer:** Shapiro

**Draft No.:** 1

**Sponsors:** Shapiro

**Item Title:** An Act making amendments to provisions of the County Code regarding special elections to fill a vacancy on the County Council and compensation of the County Council and County Executive to conform to amendments to the County Charter approved at the 2002 General Election

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**Drafter:** Ralph E. Grutzmacher  
Legislative Officer

**Resource** Kathleen H. Canning  
**Personnel:** Karen T. Zavakos  
Associate County Attorneys

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**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

**Date Presented:** 1/28/2003      **Executive Action:** 4/8/2003      S

**Committee Referral:** 1/28/2003      PSFM      **Effective Date:** 5/27/2003

**Committee Action:** 2/12/2003      FAV

**Date Introduced:** 2/25/2003

**Public Hearing:** 3/18/2003      10:00 A.M.

**Council Action:** 3/18/2003      ENACTED

**Council Votes:** PS:A, MB:A, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:A, DCH:A; TH:A, TK:A, DP:A

**Pass/Fail:** P

**Remarks:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**PUBLIC SAFETY & FISCAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**      Date: 2/12/03

Committee Vote, Favorable, 4-0, (In favor: Councilmembers Exum, Bland, Hendershot and Peters.)

This bill will amend the provision of the County Code concerning special elections for the County Council and compensation for the County Council and County Executive. Also, it will establish a Compensation Review Board, the composition of the board, resident requirements and the deadline for the board to submit recommendations to the Council concerning the amount of compensation to be paid to members of the County Council and the County Executive.

The Office of Law has reviewed the bill and find it to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its enactment.

There should not be any negative fiscal impact on the County as a result of enacting CB-7-2003

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT**

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

At the 2002 General Election, the voters ratified four sets of amendments to the County Charter. The proposed legislation amends existing provisions of the County Code that deal with special elections to fill vacancies on the County Council and the method of computing the salaries paid to members of the Council and the County Executive. The proposed legislation also establishes a new Compensation Review Board that was required in the 2002 amendments to the Charter to establish salaries for the County Executive and County Council prior to the beginning of each term of office.

**CODE INDEX TOPICS:**