PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT 2019 Legislative Session

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Committee: Health, Human Services and Public Safety

Date: 7/18//2019

Action: FAV(A)

REPORT:

COMMITTEE REPORT: Favorable, 4-0 as amended (In Favor: Hawkins, Ivy, Harrison and Taveras)

Staff provided a summary of the legislation and referral comments that were received. CB-15-2019 ensures that labor trafficking is included throughout the County Code where Human Trafficking is addressed. Staff presented a draft 2 with added language; "Sex and Labor Trafficking."

The Bill sponsor provided background information on the need for the legislation indicating that CB-15 and CB-16-2019 collectively addresses the issue of Human and Labor Trafficking. The sponsor indicated that this past session Maryland enacted laws addressing Labor and Human Trafficking.

The States Attorney, provided written comments in support of CB-15-2019 stating that trafficking is the violation of human rights for the purpose of economic exploitation and urged the committee's favorable consideration to this vital piece of legislation. Representatives from the State Attorney's Office spoke on behalf of the States Attorney.

The Office of Law finds it to be in proper legislative form.