

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE REPORT
2026 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CB-006-2026

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Committee: COW

Date: March 3, 2026

Action: FAV(A)

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable 10-0 (In favor Council Members: Oriadha, Olson, Adams-Stafford, Adams, Blegay, Burroughs, Dernoga, Fisher, Hunter, and Ivey)

The Council convened as the Committee of the Whole on March 3, 2026, to consider CB-006-2026, sponsored by Council Member Olson and Council Chair Oriadha.

Staff provided an overview of CB-006-2026, indicating that it is an emergency measure concerning immigration enforcement guidance within the County. The legislation is intended to limit access by immigration enforcement authorities to certain County areas under specified conditions and to establish clearer protocols regarding enforcement activity at County facilities. The bill requires the County Executive to develop and publish formal guidance addressing how immigration enforcement actions are to be handled in County buildings and on County property. It also directs the creation of signage templates for private use to clarify when and under what circumstances immigration enforcement actions may occur.

A Policy Analysis and Fiscal Impact Statement was provided by Mr. Malcolm Moody, Legislative Budget and Policy Analyst. Mr. Moody indicated that the enactment of CB-006-2026 would have an adverse fiscal impact because the County would need to develop signage. And further stated that the adoption of CB-006-2026 will have the indirect impact of raising awareness of protection against warrantless civil immigration enforcement on County properties.

Council Member Olson, the lead sponsor, emphasized the importance of ensuring that public spaces in Prince George's County remain safe and accessible to all residents. He noted the County Executive's existing executive order and explained that this legislation would codify those protections, explicitly preventing civil immigration enforcement on County property.

Public testimony was considered during the discussion. Liz Enagonio, a member of CASA, a Bowie resident, and longtime advocate for immigrant rights, had previously provided comments that applied to the full package of ICE-related legislation.

Council Member Olson proposed a minor technical amendment, adding “state law” to the existing language on line 17, page 4, which previously referenced only federal and constitutional law. Council Member Olson made a motion to move favorably on the amendment, seconded by Council Member Fisher. The motion passed 10-0.

After discussion, the COW voted favorably 10-0 on CB-006-2026 as amended.