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POLICY ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

TO: Committee of Whole (COW)

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Policy Analysis and Fiscal Impact Statement
CB-056-2026 Executive Order No. 13-2026 Reorganizational Proposal

CB-056-2026 (Presented and *proposed by*: Council Chair Oriadha at the request of County Executive)

Assigned to Committee of the Whole (COW)

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 13-2026 - REORGANIZATIONAL PROPOSAL transferring the Enforcement Division duties and responsibilities of the Department of Permitting, Inspection and Enforcement to the Office of Homeland Security.

Fiscal Summary

Direct Impact:

Expenditures: Modest additional expenditures likely.

Revenues: None expected.

Indirect Impact:

Potentially favorable.

Legislative Summary:

CB-056 2026¹ was presented on May 26, 2026, and referred to the Committee of the Whole (COW). This Bill is an Executive Order reorganizational proposal and will amend the Charter's Schedule of Legislation to transfer enforcement duties from the Department of Permitting, Inspections (DPIE), and Enforcement to the Office of Homeland Security (OHS) pursuant to Section 503 – Reorganization of the Charter.

Implementation Summary:

In FY 2027, the transfer of the Enforcement Division to the Office of Homeland Security (The Office), to be *renamed* Code Compliance, will represent a major organizational and budget change for both Departments. Ongoing planning, training, and integration will continue between the two agencies into fiscal 2027.

Current Law/Background:

CB-056-2026 amends Section 17², in which the Director of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE), who has responsibility for the administration of County laws relating to business licensing and the processing of complaints against such businesses. Pursuant to Section 17 of the Prince George's County Charter, the functions of DPIE include:

1. Housing regulations and inspections;
2. Construction standards, including plans review and inspections, and enforcement of the building and fire codes related to building permits;
3. Zoning enforcement; and
4. Property standards.

DPIE was established in 2012 to create a one-stop shop for plan reviews and permitting functions that were in the Planning Department, the Department of Environment, Public Works and Transportation, Soil Conservation, and WSSC Water.

Resource Personnel:

- Devan Martin, Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of the County Executive
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¹ [Prince George's County Council - Reference No. CB-056-2026](#)

² [SCHEDULE OF LEGISLATION | Code of Ordinances | Prince George's County, MD | Municode Library](#)

Discussion/Policy Analysis:

Many in the development community have argued for continued reforms at DPIE to streamline the development review process allowing for plans and permits to be reviewed and issued faster. As part of transition recommendations and process improvements, the Braveboy administration is proposing a major organizational change to better align the core functions of both DPIE and OHS. OHS, is public safety agency tasked with saving lives, protecting property, assisting the public in times of need, and ensuring the safety of first responders through comprehensive and integrated management systems. With the transfer of the Enforcement Division, the Office will add the core function of “enforcing building, site development, and road codes and regulations in compliance with building, zoning, site work, and environmental standards”.³ These functions seem to be better aligned with the overall public safety mission of the Office. Furthermore, this union will expand the mission of the Office, but also be in keeping with their core mission. The Office reports that enforcement functions will come into alignment with current staffing classifications, functional responsibilities, evaluate agency resources and formally integrate operational units.⁴

FY 2027 Budget Impact for OHS⁵

In FY 2027, the Budget for the Office of Homeland Security will increase by 30.5% above the FY 2027 Approved Budget. The primary driver of the budget increase is the transfer of the Enforcement Division.

- In FY 2027, General Fund compensation will increase by \$8.3 mill or 42.9% above the FY 2026 Approved Budget.
- Staffing will increase by 91 positions from the previous fiscal year.
- Fringe benefits will
- Vehicle Equipment Repair/Maintenance will increase 219%
- Office and Operating Equipment Non-Capital will increase \$65,000 or 100% from FY 2026.

FY 2027 Budget Impact for DPIE⁶

The transfer of the Enforcement Division to OHS represents one of the most substantial organizational changes since DPIE was created. It involves extensive coordination with the Office for code enforcement and countywide compliance. However, DPIE believes these changes will allow it to remain focused on economic development activities.

- In FY 2027, compensation expenditures are budgeted at approximately \$24.9 million, which represents a decrease of about \$5.2 million, or 17.2% under the FY Approved

³ [2027 Fiscal Year Proposed Budget | Prince George's County](#)

⁴ FY 2027 OHS First Round Responses

⁵ FY 2027 OHS Budget Report

⁶ DPIE FY 2027 Budget Report

Budget. This is primarily due to the transfer of the Enforcement Division to the Office of Homeland Security.

- In FY 2027, Fringe Benefit expenditures are proposed at approximately \$8.7 million, representing a decrease of \$1.8 million or, 17.2%, under the FY 2026 approved budget.
- Operating Contracts Will decrease from \$5.7 million to \$5.5 million, a decrease of (\$306,800) or -5.3% below the FY 2026 level.
- Office Automation will decrease from \$3.2 million to \$2.6 million or \$(602,100) below the FY 2026 level.

Fiscal Impact:

- *Direct Impact*

Enactment of CB-056-2026 will most likely have a favorable direct fiscal impact on the County, as this change should streamline enforcement dollars within one public safety agency while providing DPIE with streamlined dollars for its core functions of promoting economic development. There may be costs in future years as the agency moves staff into one building, but for now, staff will remain at their current Peppercorn Place office.

- *Indirect Impact*

Enactment of CB-056-2026 should have a favorable indirect impact on the County as this will streamline code enforcement operations and provide the division with the additional security and technology tools needed to ensure continued safety in carrying out its core functions.

- *Appropriated in the Current Fiscal Year Budget*

No.

Effective Date of Proposed Legislation:

The proposed Bill shall be effective forty-five (45) calendar days after it becomes law.

If you require additional information or have questions about this fiscal impact statement, please reach out to me via phone or email.