

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2020 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CB-075-2020

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Committee: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Date: 10/8/2020

Action: FAV

REPORT: Favorable 11-0: Council Members Turner, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Hawkins, Ivey, Streeter and Taveras

The County Council, sitting as the Committee of the Whole, met on October 8, 2020 to consider CB-075-2020. As proposed, CB-075-2020 modifies the definition of a grocery store focus area to include Health Food Priority Areas. This bill aligns the definition used to determine the geographic area in which a grocery store must be located to qualify for the grocery store tax credit. This bill aligns the definitions used in CB-108-2014 and CB-003-2020.

Linda Allen, Deputy Director, Office of Finance, expressed strong support for the bill.

The Office of Law finds CB-075-2020 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its enactment.

The Policy Group reports that CB-075-2020 should not have a direct fiscal impact on the County because the bill merely changes the definition of the areas of eligibility for the grocery store tax credit.

After discussion, the Prince George's County Council, sitting as the Committee of the Whole, voted out CB-075-2020 favorably, 11-0.