Prince George's County Council Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 5/16/2006 **Reference No.:** CB-017-2006

Draft No.:

Proposer(s): Knotts, Peters

Sponsor(s): Knotts, Peters, Dean, Harrington, Campos, Dernoga

Item Title: An Act establishing a Commission for Veterans and setting forth its duties and

responsibilities.

Drafter: Colette R. Gresham, Assistant Legislative Officer

Resource Personnel: Betty Horton-Hodge, Legislative Aide

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date Presented:4/18/2006Executive Action:6/19/2006 SCommittee Referral:4/18/2006 - HEHSEffective Date:8/4/2006

Committee Action: 5/9/2006 - FAV

Date Introduced: 5/16/2006

Public Hearing: 6/6/2006 - 10:00 AM

Council Action (1) 6/6/2006 - ENACTED

Council Votes: MB:-, WC:A, SHD:A, TD:A, CE:A, DCH:A, TH:A, TK:A, DP:A

Pass/Fail:

Remarks:

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

02-489, 02-490, 02-491, 02-492, 02-493, 02-494

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Date 5/9/2006

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0 (In favor: Council Members Knotts, Harrington, Campos, Hendershot and Peters).

CB-17-2006 establishes a Commission for Veterans to assist the County in evaluating and promoting the development of programs and services available to veterans, works in conjunction with the County Veterans Affairs Service Center, and advises the County Executive and County Council on matters pertaining to veterans. The bill authorizes the Department of Family Services to provide administrative support for the Commission.

The Assistant Legislative Officer finds it to be in proper legislative form. The Office of Audits and Investigations determined that CB-17-2006 would not have an adverse impact on the County if enacted; and noted the incidental administrative costs associated with providing support to the Commission for Veterans.

The Office of Law representative expressed concern with the Council having authority establishing permanent boards/commissions; indicating that the Charter provides for establishments of boards/commission by the Council that are temporary or long term in nature. This issue will be resolved by the appropriate staff prior to introduction.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

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

The proposed legislation would establish a Commission for Veterans to assist the County in evaluating and promoting the development of programs and services available to veterans, work in conjunction with the County Veterans Affairs Service Center, and advise the County Executive and County Council on matters pertaining to veterans.

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