

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2003 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-29-2003
Proposed by The Chairman (by request – County Executive)
Introduced by Council Members Shapiro and Hendershot
Co-Sponsors _____
Date of Introduction May 13, 2003

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 County Income Tax Rate

3 For the purpose of increasing the County income tax rate to 3.20% of the State taxable income.

4 WHEREAS, Section 10-106(a)(1) of the Tax-General Article of the Annotated Code of
5 Maryland provides that each county shall set, by ordinance or resolution, a county income tax
6 equal to at least 1% but not more than 3.20% of an individual's Maryland taxable income for a
7 taxable year beginning after December 31, 2001; and

8 WHEREAS, Section 3 of Chapter 493 of the 1999 Laws of Maryland provides that
9 notwithstanding any other provision of law and except as provided in Section 3, the county
10 income tax rate in each County shall be determined by the table set forth in Section 3. For Prince
11 George's County, the rates are: 1999 -- 3.01%, 2000 -- 3.00%, 2001 -- 3.04%, and 2002 --3.10%.
12 In lieu of the use of the table contained in Section 3 for determining the county income tax rate,
13 the county tax rate in each county for all calendar years after 1999 may be established by the
14 county in accordance with Section 10-106 of the Tax-General Article of the Annotated Code of
15 Maryland; and

16 WHEREAS, Section 10-106(a)(2) of the Tax-General Article of the Annotated Code of
17 Maryland provides that a county income tax rate continues until the county changes the rate by
18 ordinance or resolution; and

19 WHEREAS, Section 10-106(a)(3) of the Tax-General Article of the Annotated Code of
20 Maryland provides that a county may not increase its county income tax rate above 2.6% until
21 after the county has held a public hearing on the proposed act, ordinance, or resolution to
22 increase the rate and requires the county to publish at least once each week for 2 successive

1 weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the county notice of the public hearing and a fair
2 summary of the proposed act, ordinance, or resolution to increase the county income tax rate
3 above 2.6%; and

4 WHEREAS, Section 10-106(b) of the Tax-General Article of the Annotated Code of
5 Maryland provides that if a county changes its county income tax rate, the county shall increase
6 or decrease the rate in increments of one one-hundredth of a percentage point, effective on
7 January 1 of the year that the county designates, and shall give the Comptroller notice of the rate
8 change and the effective date of the rate change on or before July 1 prior to its effective date; and

9 WHEREAS, the County Council duly advertised and conducted a public hearing on the
10 proposal of the County Executive to increase the County income tax from 3.10% to 3.20%; and

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
12 County, Maryland, that based upon the comments provided by persons who testified at the public
13 hearing conducted by the Council the County income tax rate shall be increased to 3.20% for
14 calendar years beginning January 1, 2004.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Council shall deliver a copy of this
16 resolution to the State Comptroller on or before July 1, 2003.

Adopted this 3rd day of June, 2003.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Peter A. Shapiro
Chair

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd
Clerk of the Council