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P r i n c e G e o r g e ' s

Meeting Date:

C o u n t y C o u n c i l

Requestor: WI

Item Title: An Ordinance for the purpose of providing day care centers for children as a permitted use subject to specific criteria in certain single family residential zones

Sponsors WI

Date Presented 10/2/90 **Executive Action** ____/____/____
Committee Referral (1) 10/2/90 C.O.W. **Effective Date** ____/____/____
Committee Action (1) 10/16/90 HELD
Date Introduced ____/____/____
Pub. Hearing Date () ____/____/____ : ____

Council Action () ____/____/____
Council Votes ____: __, __: __, __: __, __: __, __: __, __: __, __: __, __: __, __: __
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Pass/Fail _

Remarks _____

Joyce Birkel, PrIn. Cnsl. **Resource** Joyce Birkel, Prin. Cnsl
Drafter: to the District Council **Personnel:** to the District Council

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE REPORT

DATE: 10/16/90

Held in Committee.

Staff explained that the requirements regulating day care centers are applicable to permitted, as well as Special Exception uses. The only major difference is that as a permitted use, a day care center would require Detailed Site Plan approval, rather than review of a Special Exception application. Detailed Site Plan review would require approval of landscaping, traffic circulation, layout of the building and parking, etc, but the use itself would be permitted. The District Council would not be able to find that the use was incompatible with the neighborhood, or inappropriate for any other reason.

Fern Piret, representing the M-NCPPC, spoke in opposition to the legislation, mainly because a day care center may not be compatible with the surrounding residential community in all cases. The Municipal

Association also opposes the legislation. Barbara Bell, representing the Enterprise Children's Center, spoke in support of the legislation. She noted the need for more day care centers, and the regulations that exist for these centers.

The Committee members indicated their support for the Special Exception process, which gives the community the opportunity to provide input. They requested that staff review the process for obtaining a Special Exception, and report back to the Committee with recommendations for an expedited process.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT

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

This bill will eliminate an existing need to provide day care centers in single family residential zones in a timely manner without having to obtain a special exception. All of the criteria imposed by existing special exception requirements and state law will continue in effect, the only change being that the 9-month wait and the expense of obtaining a special exception will no longer be required.