

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2026 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CB-007-2026

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Committee: COW

Date: March 3, 2026

Action: FAV (A)

REPORT: Committee Vote: Favorably as amended, 10-0 (Council Members Ivey, Dernoga, Allen, Adams-Stafford, Fisher, Hunter, Olson, Oriadha, Burroughs, and Blegay)

The Prince George's County Council convened as the Committee of the Whole on March 3, 2026 to consider CB-007-2026, an emergency act concerning the Resident Kidnapping Protection Act for the purpose of providing that County residents may call for Prince George's County Police Department (PGPD) verification of the identity and authority of persons engaging in immigration enforcement activity; AND making certain findings and defining certain terms; requiring a certain police response; requiring public outreach about this police service; and generally relating to police and immigration enforcement.

During the meeting, council staff provided an overview of legislation that would require the Prince George's County Police Department (PGPD) to respond to calls from people observing immigration enforcement activity in the County requesting assistance in verifying the identity of persons engaged in such activity. PGPD would then verify the identity of persons engaged in the immigration enforcement activity. Police would ask and not demand.

The Policy Analysis document notes that Los Angeles and Chicago currently have these policies established in law and that they are currently being challenged. The adoption of CB-007-2026 should have a modest adverse fiscal impact due to increased public outreach required for citizen education.

Chair Oriadha offered an amendment that requires law enforcement to carry information regarding resources capable of providing direct services, and that amendment was accepted and is located on page 2, line 29.

Council Member Ivey offered an amendment that was accepted, requiring that emergency services be engaged on Page 2 between lines 22-28.

After further discussion, the Prince George's County Council, sitting as the Committee of the Whole, voted 10-0 as amended.