

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2024 Legislative Session

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Date: April 11, 2024

Action: FAV

REPORT: Committee Vote: Favorable 4-0 (Council Members Watson, Harrison, Dernoga, Oriadha), Absent (Franklin)

The Prince George's County Council's Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee convened on March 27th and on April 11, 2024, to consider CB-025-2024, which is the vehicle for Executive Order No. 2-2024; a reorganizational proposal creating a new Office of Procurement and transferring the procurement-related functions to the new agency. This proposal would create a Procurement office, separate from the Office of Central Services, which should elevate procurement services in the county and remove it from within an agency, creating a more direct focus on procurement.

Office of Central Services Director, Jonathon Butler, spoke about the importance of focusing the county's efforts on procurement and why removing this function from an agency with many other important roles will be beneficial. The fiscal impact is projected to be neutral and largely remains within the existing budget. Pam Dickerson, Deputy Director of the Office of Central Services, stated that the proposed CB-24-2024 involves three additional staff members: a director, an associate director, and a human resources director. The rest of the staff, 36 positions, would be existing employees or funded positions that would be filled.

Council members questioned the potential impacts, including the fiscal impact associated with the reorganization, and requested additional information about the costs and staffing.

This legislation was held in committee on March 27th.

During the April 11, 2024, meeting, the members reviewed the additional information provided by the administration relevant to the fiscal and operational impact of the reorganization.

After further discussion, the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee voted favorably 4-0.