



THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Office of Audits and Investigations

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Robert J. Williams, Jr.
Council Administrator

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THRU: David H. Van Dyke *DHV*
County Auditor

FROM: Inez N. Claggett *INC*
Senior Legislative Auditor

RE: Fiscal Impact Statement
CB-041-2016 Charter Amendment

Pursuant to your request, we have reviewed CB-041-2016 to estimate its fiscal impact on Prince George's County, Maryland.

CB-041-2016 seeks approval to propose to the voters, at the County's General Election, an amendment to Section 508 of the Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland to provide for outside counsel in the event of a conflict between the executive and legislative branches on matters regarding legal services and advice.

The proposed Bill places the question of adoption of a proposed Charter amendment, which requires the executive and legislative branches to engage outside counsel in the event of a conflict of interest determined by the County Attorney, on the ballot of the County's General Election to be held on November 8, 2016.

Enactment of CB-41-2016 will have an adverse fiscal impact on Prince George's County, however, a reasonable estimate of the impact is unable to be determined at this time. The amount of the impact would be determined by the proposed billing rates of the outside counsel chosen to resolve the matter, coupled with the complexity of the case.

If you require additional information, or have questions about this fiscal impact statement, please call me.