



Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 3/13/2018 **Effective Date:** 5/14/2018
Reference No.: CB-001-2018 **Chapter Number:** 1
Draft No.: 1 **Public Hearing Date:** 3/13/2018 @ 11:30 a.m.
Proposer(s): Lehman
Sponsor(s): Lehman, Glaros, Harrison, Davis, Turner, Taveras, Franklin, Patterson and Toles
Item Title: AN ACT CONCERNING LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM for the purpose of clarifying certain benefits under the Length of Service Award Program for surviving spouses.

Drafter: Colette Gresham, Legislative Officer
Resource Personnel: Bridget E. Warren, Chief of Staff/Legislative Aide, District 1

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
01/23/2018	County Council	presented and referred	PSFM
	Action Text: This Council Bill was presented by Council Member Lehman and referred to the Public Safety and Fiscal Management Committee		
02/08/2018	PSFM	Favorably recommended	County Council
	Action Text: This Council Bill was Favorably recommended to the County Council Aye: 5 Davis, Taveras, Turner, Lehman and Patterson		
02/20/2018	County Council	introduced	
	Action Text: This Council Bill was introduced by Council Members Harrison, Davis, Glaros, Turner, Taveras, Franklin, Patterson and Toles		
03/13/2018	County Council	public hearing held	
	Action Text: The public hearing was held for this Bill		
03/13/2018	County Council	enacted	
	Action Text: A motion was made by Council Member Lehman, seconded by Council Member Toles, that this Council Bill be enacted. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 8 Davis, Franklin, Harrison, Lehman, Patterson, Taveras, Toles and Turner		

Absent: 1 Glaros

03/27/2018 County Executive signed

Action Text:

This Council Bill was signed

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

11-328

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

In 1974 the County created the Length of Service Award Program ("LOSAP") to provide benefit payments which included survivor annuities and lump sum death benefits for volunteers and surviving spouses. The Council enacted CB-22-2014 on October 21, 2014, which increased the LOSAP benefits for volunteers and surviving spouses. Effective July 1, 2014, a surviving spouse receiving benefits would be entitled to receive \$250 per month. In addition, the Code provides that the surviving spouse is entitled to benefits equal to 50% of the volunteer's benefits. The proposed legislation clarifies that the surviving spouse shall be entitled to a minimum of \$250 per month so that the 50% applies when the amount would be more than \$250.

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