PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2019 Legislative Session

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Committee: GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND FISCAL POLICY

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Action: FAV

REPORT: Favorable 4-0: Council Members Davis, Dernoga, Anderson-Walker and Hawkins Absent: Streeter

CR-55-2019 seeks to adjust the County's school facilities surcharge for annual changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Fiscal Year 2020, beginning July 1, 2019 pursuant to State Law.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers shows 2% increase between April 2018 and April 2019. Applying a 2% increase to the current FY 2019 school facilities surcharge rates of \$9,550 (properties inside the beltway or included in certain basic plans or conceptual site plans and \$16,371 for other properties) produces new school facilities surcharge rates of \$9,741 and \$16,698, reflecting an increase of \$191 and \$327, respectively.

Kassandra Bissett, Analyst, Office of Management and Budget, was present to answer any questions.

The Office of Law reports CR-55-2019 to be in proper legislative form but recommends that its adoption be considered in the context of current litigation involving CB-06-2018.

The Office of Audits and Investigations reports that the adoption of CR-55-2019 may increase County revenues by an estimated \$747,063 in FY 2020 based on an estimated 2,745 residential units subject to the surcharge.

After discussion, the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee voted CR-55-2019 out favorably, 4-0.