PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2021 Legislative Session

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REPORT:

Favorable 10-0: Council Members Hawkins, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Ivey, Taveras and Turner)

The Prince George's County Council, convened as the Committee of the Whole Thursday, September 23, 2021, to consider CB-56-2021. This legislation was transmitted by the County Executive for the purpose of establishing additional enforcement methods to effectuate service of subpoenas by the Prince George's County Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE).

DPIE Director Melinda Bolling and her staff provided and overview of the bill and responded to Council Members' questions. Ms. Bolling explained that the provisions of CB-56-2021 will assist DPIE with short term rental enforcement and compliance.

The Office of Audits and investigations found enactment of CB-56-2021 may require minimum additional expenditures due to the increased staff training, additional duties of mailing, monitoring and enforcing the subpoenas. With the use of the subpoenas, the Department will be able to better perform its duties of permitting, inspecting and enforcement. In doing so, the community may benefit due to increased compliance with standards for buildings, housing and issuance of permits.

The Office of Law finds CB-56-2021 to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to its adoption. After discussion, the Committee of the Whole voted CB-56-2021 out favorable, 10-0.