

## Chapter 669

(House Bill 1146)

AN ACT concerning

### Task Force to Study Locating Businesses in Libraries in Prince George's County

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FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Locating Businesses in Libraries in Prince George's County; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; establishing the duties of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study Locating Businesses in Libraries in Prince George's County.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

(a) There is a Task Force to Study Locating Businesses in Libraries in Prince George's County.

(b) The Task Force consists of the following members:

(1) one member of the Senate of Maryland who represents Prince George's County, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(2) one member of the House of Delegates who represents Prince George's County, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

(3) one member of the Prince George's County Council, appointed by the chair of the Council;

(4) the Prince George's County Executive, or the County Executive's designee; ~~and~~

(5) ~~the following members, appointed by the Governor:~~

(~~4~~) one representative of the Board of Trustees of the Prince George's County Memorial Library System, appointed by the Board of Trustees;

~~(ii)~~ (6) one representative of the Literacy Council of Prince George's County; County, appointed by the Literacy Council; and

(7) the following members appointed by the Governor:

~~(iii)~~ (i) one representative of the Division of Library Development and Services in the State Department of Education;

~~(iv)~~ (ii) one member of the business community; and

~~(v)~~ (iii) one member of the public.

(c) The members of the Task Force shall designate the chair of the Task Force.

(d) The Prince George's County Memorial Library System shall provide staff for the Task Force.

(e) A member of the Task Force:

(1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

(2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

(f) The Task Force shall:

(1) study business models for cafes, coffeehouses, and other similar businesses located in libraries or bookstores in Maryland and other states and countries;

(2) determine whether locating businesses in some libraries in Prince George's County would fill a void in the community, modernize the libraries, provide revenue for the libraries, or otherwise be appropriate and feasible; and

(3) if determined to be appropriate and feasible, develop and recommend a plan for locating businesses in some libraries in Prince George's County.

(g) On or before December 1, 2014, the Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the Prince George's County Council, the Prince George's County Executive, and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Prince George's County Delegation of the General Assembly.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2013. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 3 months and, at

the end of December 31, 2014, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

**Approved by the Governor, May 16, 2013.**