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House Joint Resolution 10 (Delegate Hixson)
Rules and Executive Nominations

Establishment of a Presidential Youth Council

This joint resolution urges the President of the United States to establish a Presidential Youth Council to (1) advise the President and the President's administration on the perspectives of young people; (2) make public policy-related youth programs more efficient and effective; and (3) address issues that will affect the long-term future of the United States.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. This bill does not affect State government operations or finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law/Background: The Campaign for a Presidential Youth Council was launched in April 2012 with the mission to form a Presidential Youth Council with members ranging in age between 16 and 24 years old. In July 2012, a bill was introduced in the U.S. Congress to support the establishment with private funds of a Presidential Youth Council to carry out the tasks as specified in this joint resolution. The bill was re-introduced in September 2013.

State and local governments across the nation have implemented similar councils or commissions, including the Maryland Youth Advisory Council and the Baltimore City Youth Commission. Chapter 559 of 2008 established the Maryland Youth Advisory

Council to inform the Governor and the General Assembly of issues concerning youth. The council is charged with recommending one legislative proposal each year for possible introduction, conducting one or two public hearings each year on issues of importance to youth, and conducting a public awareness campaign. The Maryland State Department of Education may elect to allow student members to earn school credit for their service on the council. Each year, the council must report on its activities to the Governor and the General Assembly.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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