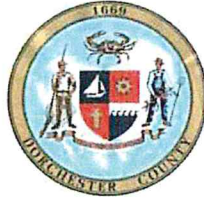


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March 5, 2024

The Honorable Joseline A. Pena-Melnyk
Health and Government Operations Committee
Room 241, House Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: Letter of Support-Amended House Bill 594 Entitled "Legal Advertisement or Legal Notice-Publication in Newspaper or Newspaper in General Circulation-Digital Newspapers"

Dear Delegate Pena-Melnyk, Chair and Committee Members:

On behalf of the Dorchester County Council, I respectfully offer its support for House Bill 594 entitled "Legal Advertisement or Legal Notice-Publication in Newspaper or Newspaper in General Circulation-Digital Newspapers" as amended (see attached).

We ask that you look favorably upon House Bill 594 as amended. Thank you for your time and consideration of this letter of support. Please contact the Council's Office at (410) 228-1700 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL



George L. Pfeffer
President

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cc: The Honorable Johnny Mautz, Senator
The Honorable Thomas S. Hutchinson, Delegate
The Honorable Christopher T. Adams, Delegate
The Honorable Sheree Sample-Hughes, Delegate



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(To be offered in the Health and Government Operations
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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 594
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after “Notice” insert “in Dorchester County”; strike beginning with “altering” in line 4 down through “circumstances;” in line 7 and substitute “establishing certain requirements for the publication of certain notices in Dorchester County;”; and in line 8, after “notices” insert “in Dorchester County”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in lines 20 and 21, strike “**THAT IS OFFERED EITHER IN A PRINT FORMAT OR A DIGITAL FORMAT**”; and in lines 22 and 23, in each instance, strike the bracket.

On page 2, in lines 3 and 6, in each instance, strike the bracket; in the same lines, strike “**(2)**” and “**(3)**”, respectively; in lines 3 and 4, strike “**THROUGH THE PRINT OR DIGITAL FORMAT**”; strike in their entirety lines 8 and 9; in line 10, strike “**(II)**” and substitute “**(5)**”; and after line 19, insert:

“(C) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION AND FOR PURPOSES OF THE PUBLIC GENERAL LAWS OF THE STATE, IN DORCHESTER COUNTY, IF A LAW, RESOLUTION, OR COURT ORDER, JUDGMENT, OR DECREE REQUIRES THE COUNTY TO PUBLISH A LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE:

(1) ANY REQUIRED ADVERTISEMENT OR NOTICE SHALL BE PUBLISHED AND DISTRIBUTED THROUGH PRINT AND DIGITAL FORMAT;