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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1090 (Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery
County Delegation)

Commerce and Government Matters

**Prince George's County - Washington Suburban Sanitary District -
Commissioners – Removal
PG/MC 123-02**

This bill authorizes the Prince George's County Executive to remove at will a commissioner of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) representing Prince George's County, repeals the requirement that the commissioner's removal be approved by a majority of the county council, and repeals the requirement for a public hearing prior to the commissioner's removal.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Washington Suburban Sanitary District finances would not be materially affected.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: A WSSC commissioner from Prince George's County may be removed from office before the completion of his/her term by the Prince George's County Executive with the approval of the majority of the members of the Prince George's County Council. Unless waived in writing by the commissioner designated for removal, a WSSC commissioner is entitled to a public hearing prior to removal.

Background: WSSC has six commissioners with three commissioners each from Montgomery and Prince George's counties. WSSC maintains and operates two water treatment plants and five wastewater treatment plants. WSSC also maintains numerous water storage facilities, wastewater pumping stations, and more than 10,000 miles of water and sewer lines.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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