HOUSE BILL 358

J1, L2 4lr1156 SB 966/23 - FIN CF SB 151 By: Prince George's County Delegation Introduced and read first time: January 17, 2024 Assigned to: Health and Government Operations Committee Report: Favorable with amendments House action: Adopted Read second time: February 13, 2024 CHAPTER AN ACT concerning Prince George's County - Workgroup on Health and Wellness PG 409-24 FOR the purpose of establishing a Workgroup on Health and Wellness in Prince George's County to review and evaluate certain information and make certain recommendations related to health and wellness in Prince George's County; and generally relating to the Workgroup on Health and Wellness in Prince George's County. SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That: (a) There is a Workgroup on Health and Wellness in Prince George's County. (b) The Workgroup consists of the following members: (1) the Chair of the Prince George's County Senate Delegation, or the Chair's designee; (2) the Chair of the Prince George's County House Delegation, or the Chair's designee; (3)the Chair of the Prince George's County Council, or the Chair's designee;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

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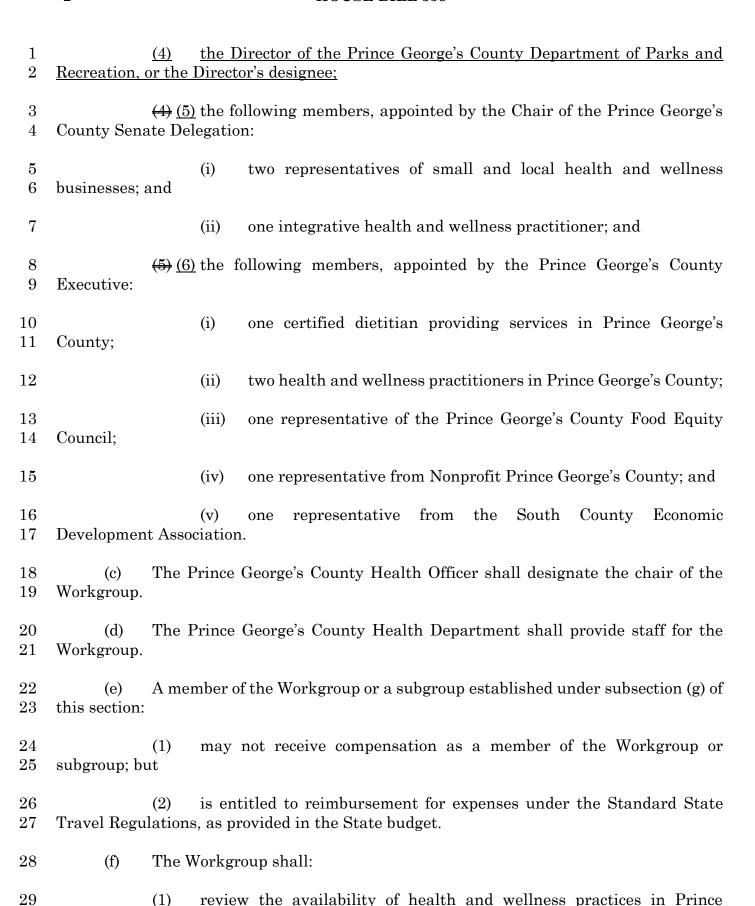
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$\frac{1}{2}$	(2) review available options for integrative health and wellness programs in Prince George's County;
3 4	(3) review programs that promote healthy eating within the Prince George's County government agencies;
5 6	(4) make recommendations regarding the best practices in health and wellness community programming, including strategies and programs that:
7	(i) promote healthy eating;
8 9	(ii) improve equitable access to healthy, affordable, and accessible food retailers;
10 11	(iii) improve equitable access to environments that are built and promote physical activity, including:
12	1. gymnasiums;
13	2. recreation centers;
14	3. athletic fields and facilities;
15	4. playgrounds;
16	5. sidewalks; and
17	6. bicycle and walking paths;
18 19	(iv) reduce the density in specified areas of calorie-dense and fast food restaurants and retailers; and
20 21	(v) promote healthy eating, physical activity, and nonsedentary habits for obesity prevention;
22 23 24	(5) make recommendations for incentives that may be provided to employers, businesses, and Prince George's County agencies to promote health and wellness strategies and programs identified under item (4) of this subsection;
25 26	(6) review and report on the benefits of incorporating integrative health into various aspects of Prince George's County; and
27 28	(7) evaluate the benefit and feasibility of creating integrative health and wellness hubs in Prince George's County.

(g) (1) The Workgroup may establish a subgroup to assist in carrying out its duties, including conducting research and producing reports.
(2) A subgroup established under paragraph (1) of this subsection may include an individual who is not a member of the Workgroup, such as a representative of a relevant expert.
(h) On or before December 1, 2025, the Workgroup shall report its findings and recommendations to the Prince George's County Executive, the Chair of the Prince George's County Council, the Governor, and, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.
SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2024. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of June 30, 2026, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.
Approved:
Governor.
Speaker of the House of Delegates.
President of the Senate.