

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND**

**2024 Legislative Session**

Bill No. CB-018-2024

Chapter No. 31

Proposed and Presented by Council Member Harrison

Introduced by Council Members Harrison, Watson, Ivey, Fisher, Oriadha, Dernoga, Hawkins

Co-Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Introduction June 18, 2024

**BILL**

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Fiscal Responsibility and Good Government

3 For the purpose of requiring the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to submit a  
4 statement to the Council describing the fiscal impact of each piece of legislation before Council  
5 action; specifying the contents of the fiscal impact statement; and generally amending the law  
6 governing the consideration of legislation by the County Council.

7 BY adding:

8 SUBTITLE 2. ADMINISTRATION.

9 Section 2-105,

10 The Prince George's County Code

11 (2023 Edition).

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,  
13 Maryland, that Section 2-105 of the Prince George's County Code be and the same is hereby  
14 added:

15 SUBTITLE 2. ADMINISTRATION.

16 DIVISION 1. COUNTY COUNCIL.

17 **Sec. 2-105. [Reserved.] Fiscal Impact Statements.**

18 (a) Definitions. In this Section, the following words and phrases have the following  
19 meanings:

20 (1) Director means the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

21 (2) Fiscal impact means an estimate of changes in future County revenue and

expenditures attributable to a change in the law.

(3) Legislation means a bill or resolution under consideration by the Council.

(b) Fiscal impact statements. The Director shall submit a statement to the Council describing the fiscal impact, if any, of each piece of legislation. The Director shall submit a separate statement for each-piece of legislation.

(c) Time for submission. A fiscal impact statement should be submitted to the Council:

(1) no later than 7 days before the first Committee session at which the legislation is considered on each bill or resolution presented or introduced, respectively, by the Council Chair at the request of the County Executive; and

(2) the earlier of no more than:

(A) twelve (12) days after a bill or resolution sponsored by a Councilmember is presented or introduced, respectively; or

(B) two (2) days before the first Committee session at which the legislation is considered.

(3) If the Director is unable to submit the statement within the time required by paragraph (2), the Director shall notify the Council Chair in writing of the delay, the reason for the delay, and the revised delivery date. If the Council Chair finds that the revised delivery date is unreasonable, the Council Chair may set a different delivery deadline.

(d) Content of fiscal impact statement. Each fiscal impact statement shall include:

(1) the sources of information, assumptions, and methodologies used;

(2) an estimate of changes in County revenues and expenditures regardless of whether the revenues or expenditures are assumed in a recommended or approved budget;

(3) revenue and expenditure estimates covering at least the next four (4) fiscal years;

(4) analysis of the full personnel cost of the legislation;

(5) an estimate of additional staff and resources needed to implement the legislation;

(6) an explanation of revenue or expenditures that are uncertain or difficult to project;

and

(7) if the legislation is likely to have no fiscal impact, why that is the case.

(e) Compliance. Council action on legislation that is otherwise valid is not invalid because of any failure to follow the requirements of this Section.

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SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the provisions of this Act are hereby declared to be severable; and, in the event that any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining words, phrases, clauses, sentences, subparagraphs, paragraphs, subsections, or sections of this Act, since the same would have been enacted without the incorporation in this Act of any such invalid or unconstitutional word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, subparagraph, subsection, or section.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect on October 1, 2025.

Adopted this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE  
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: Jolene Ivey  
Jolene Ivey  
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown  
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Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: 8/1/24 BY: Angela D. Alsobrooks  
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KEY:

Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.  
Asterisks \*\*\* indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.



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