

**Prince George's County House Delegation  
Bi-County Agency Committee – WSSC  
Minutes February 1, 2012  
Chair: Delegate Joseline A. Peña-Melnyk**

8:37am – call to order. In attendance: Delegates Pena-Melnyk, Holmes, and Gaines

Requested to approach by Chair – Kirk Wineland (WSSC) and Senator Doug Peters (Sponsor)

For consideration and voting by committee: PG/MC 107-12 – *amendments offered after negotiations by WSSC and Senator Peters.*

1. Prince George's County Executive Rushern Baker supports PG/MC 107-12 with amendments.
2. Counsel reads synopsis of the bill as drafted.
3. Counsel summarizes amendment set one.
  - a. Amendment No. 1:
    - i. Technical
  - b. Amendment No. 2:
    - i. Strikes all provisions of the bill except the requirement that, in Prince George's County, each property tax bill contain a notice of the number of annual payments remaining on the assessed property for the front foot benefit charge.
    - ii. Changes the effective date from June 1, 2012 to June 1, 2013.
  - c. Committee has no discussion on amendments
  - d. Motioned for adoption made by Delegate Holmes, seconded by Delegate Gaines, amendment adopted by committee (3-0).
4. Counsel summarizes amendment set two.
  - a. Amendment No. 1:
    - i. Technical
  - b. Amendment No. 2:
    - i. Strikes all provisions of the bill and establishes the Task Force to Study Rates, Bonds, and Charges in the Washington Suburban Sanitary District.
    - ii. Establish guidelines for staffing and membership of the Task Force.
    - iii. Requires reporting to entities of interest by a certain date.
  - c. Task Force's report will help the General Assembly to act on those concerns voiced by the community over the past few years. Report will help identify and gauge the costs and benefits of potential legislative action.
  - d. WSSC has no comments on amendments.
  - e. Delegate Gaines: has the Montgomery County Delegation had input on this bill?

- i. Delegate Peña-Melnyk: Chair has requested that Senator Peters and the WSSC reach out to Delegate Hucker in advance of the bill's crossing to the Montgomery County Delegation. Chair has also had conversations with Delegate Hucker on this bill.
  - f. Motioned for adoption made by Delegate Holmes, seconded by Delegate Gaines, amendment adopted by committee (3-0).
- 5. Move bill favorable with amendments
  - a. Motioned for adoption made by Delegate Holmes, seconded by Delegate Gaines, amendment adopted by committee (3-0).

Announcements: Montgomery County Delegation should be sending three bills over to the committee for consideration in the coming weeks. Be on the lookout for the materials in advance of our next meeting in two weeks time.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50am