

Minutes of Prince George's County House Delegation – Feb 24, 2012

Members Present:

Alston
Barnes
Braveboy
Davis
Frush
Gaines
Chair Griffith
Healey
Holmes
Howard
Hubbard
Peña-Melnyk
Proctor
Ross
Summers
Valderrama
Valentino-Smith
Vaughn
Walker

Absent:

Ivey
Niemann
Turner

- 1. Meeting convened.** Prayer by Del. Valderrama
2. Presentation by Howard Stone and Ray Lubicki on Joint Base Andrews Land Use Study
3. Presentation by Matthew Gallagher, Chief of Staff to Martin O'Malley and Darryl Mobley, MDOT on Governor's Gas Tax proposal.
- 4. Subcommittee Reports:**
 - A) County Affairs (Delegate Ross, Committee Chair)**

Chair Ross presented PG 418 (Property Tax Exemptions for Economic development) to delegation with committee amendments.

Del. Walker made a motion to eliminate the language prohibiting gambling-related projects from qualifying. Motion failed in a 5-14 vote of members present.

Delegation accepted County Affairs amendments in a voice vote.

Delegation debated and then approved second set of amendments by Del. Niemann striking Multifamily residential units and adding a five-year termination of the program in a voice vote.

Delegation then approved by voice vote a third set of amendments by Chair Griffith altering the number of office jobs that a qualifying project would need to bring and altering the maximum property tax exemption a project can receive to 75 percent.

At request of Del. Braveboy, PG 418 was special ordered until Friday March 2. Amendments can be offered to County Affairs in advance of their Wed, Feb 29 meeting at 830am.

B) Law Enforcement (Delegate Valderrama, Committee Chair)

PG 301 was reported after being special ordered for one week. Del. Ivey has withdrawn two proposed amendments for the bill, Valderrama said.

Delegates approved an amendment to exempt National Harbor from the bill by a voice vote. **PG301 was voted favorably with amendments in a 14-3 vote.**

Delegate Ross asked the delegation to approve a letter requesting the county be exempted from HB 10. Delegation agreed in a voice vote.

5. Meeting adjourned 10:55 a.m.

Next Delegation meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 2 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 150.