

# Prince George's County House Delegation

## MINUTES

### March 14th, 2014

Delegation Room  
House Office Building Room 150  
Annapolis, MD

#### **Delegates present:**

1. Delegate Jolene Ivey, Delegation Chair
2. Delegate Benjamin Barnes
3. Delegate Aisha Braveboy
4. Delegate Dereck E. Davis
5. Delegate James Hubbard
6. Delegate Doyle Niemann
7. Delegate Joseline Peña-Melnyk
8. Delegate James Proctor
9. Delegate Michael Summers
10. Delegate Darren Swain
11. Delegate Veronica Turner
12. Delegate Kriselda Valderrama
13. Delegate Geraldine Valentino-Smith
14. Delegate Joseph Vallario
15. Delegate Michael Vaughn
16. Delegate Jay Walker
17. Delegate Alonzo Washington

#### **Absent:**

1. Delegate Barbara Frush
2. Delegate Tawanna Gaines
3. Delegate Melony G. Griffith
4. Delegate Anne Healey
5. Delegate Marvin Holmes
6. Delegate Carolyn J.B. Howard

*Note: House Appropriations held a meeting concurrently, preventing attendance by several members at the start.*

#### **Staff:**

Daniel Valentine, Legislative Director  
Jodie Chilson, Delegation Counsel

Meeting convened approximately XXXXXXX.

#### **I- Speaker**

#### **II - Maryland Office of the Public Defender:**

- Ricardo Flores, Director, Government Relations Division

- Christine DuFour, Assistant Public Defender
- Margaret Teahan, Assistant Public Defender

Officials with the Office of Public Defender briefed the delegates on the current state of legislation concerning the *Richmond* appeals decision and the efforts to ensure accused defendants are given appropriate legal defense.

## II. Subcommittee Reports / Bills for Discussion:

### A. County Affairs

*Delegate Jay Walker, Chair*

- **PG 405-14 (HB 1320)** - College Park - Student Housing Subsidy Reduction Act (**UNF**)

Delegate Walker presented report from subcommittee. Delegates approved the Unfavorable recommendation in a 14-2 vote, with Delegates Niemann and Peña-Melnyk against.

- **PG 409-14 (HB 1013)** – Prince George’s County Board of Education – Public High Schools – Outdoor Synthetic Turf Fields (**FWA - Special ordered in Delegation on Feb 21<sup>st</sup>**)

Delegate Walker summarized the bill, which requires a Memorandum of Understanding. Members voted 15-2 to give the legislation a Favorable with Amendment recommendation.

- **PG 411-14 (HB 1021)** - Foreclosure - Subprime Mortgages - Moratorium (**UNF**)

Delegate Walker offered a series of amendments offered by Senator Muse. The amendments passed a 8-7 vote.

Delegate Niemann then asked that the bill be referred back to subcommittee, and members agreed in a voice affirmation.

- **PG 422-14 (HB 1017)** Board of Education - Elected Member Vacancy - Approval of Appointment (**FAV**)

Delegate Niemann offered an amendment, which failed in a 7-8 vote.

## I. Adjourn 11 a.m.