

COMMISSION SUMMARY

AGENDA CATEGORY: Intergovernmental Relations Office

ITEM NUMBER: 1	DATE: December 16, 2020
SUBJECT	Legislative Update
SUMMARY	Updates on WSSC Water-related bills for the 2021 Legislative Session.
SPECIAL COMMENTS	The legislative update is current as of December 1, 2020 and will be updated as legislation is received and/or positions are taken.
CONTRACT NO./ REFERENCE NO.	N/A
COSTS	N/A
AMENDMENT/ CHANGE ORDER NO. AMOUNT	N/A
MBE PARTICIPATION	N/A
PRIOR STAFF/ COMMITTEE REVIEW PRIOR STAFF/ COMMITTEE APPROVALS	Carla A. Reid, General Manager/CEO
RECOMMENDATION TO COMMISSION	
COMMISSION ACTION	



SESSION 2021 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

As of December 3, 2020

WSSC Water Sponsored Legislation

Bill #	Title (Sponsor)/Description	Position	Status/Notes
<u>MC/PG 102-21</u>	Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Board of Ethics - Financial Disclosure Statements - Late Fees Authorizes the WSSC Board of Ethics to impose a late fee on individuals who file late or fail to file required financial disclosure statements.	SUPPORT (10/21/2020)	Hearings: MCHD Public Bill Hearing 12/8/2020 (7:00pm) PGHD Public Bill Hearing 12/3/2020 (7:00pm) Positions: MCCE – Support MCCC – Support

WSSC Water Related Legislation

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<u>MC/PG 100-21</u>	Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Video Streaming and Archiving Meetings and Late Payment Charges (Charkoudian) Requires WSSC to stream live video of the open meetings of the Commission and to maintain on its website a complete and unedited archived video recording of these meetings. Also alters the amount the Commission can impost as a late payment charge for unpaid water and sewer usage charges.	OPPOSE (11/18/2020)	Hearings: MCHD Public Bill Hearing 12/1/2020 (7:00pm) PGHD Public Bill Hearing 12/3/2020 (7:00pm) Positions: MCCE – Support w/Amendment MCCC – Hold

Legislation of Interest

Bill #	Title (Sponsor)/Description	Position	Status/Notes
<u>MC 3-21</u>	Montgomery County – Cooperative Housing Corporations, Condominiums, and Homeowners Associations – Reserve Studies (Crutchfield & Stewart)	Monitor	Hearings:
	Requires the governing body of Montgomery County cooperative housing corporations (CO-OP), condominium, or homeowners association (HOA) to conduct a study of the reserves required for future major repairs and replacement of common elements. Studies are to be conducted by a certain time based on the establishment date of the CO-OP, condominium board, or HOA and must be conducted at least every 5 years thereafter.		MCHD Public Bill Hearing 12/8/2020 (7:00pm) Positions: MCCE – Support MCCC – Hold
<u>MC 6-21</u>	Montgomery County – Public Ethics – Payments to Elected Officials (Acevero & Carr) Prohibits an applicant or agent of the applicant from making a payment to an elected official, or a slate that includes an elected official, during the pendency of the application a land use matter.	Monitor	Hearings: MCHD Public Bill Hearing 12/8/2020 (7:00pm) Positions: MCCE – Support w/Amendment MCCC – Oppose
<u>PG 407-21</u>	Maryland Emergency Management Agency, Department of Transportation, and Department of the Environment – Study on Historic and Recent Flooding in Prince George's County (Ivey) Requires the MEMA, the Department of Transportation and the Department of the Environment to conduct a study analyzing flooding in Prince George's County and develop recommendations for mitigation solutions.	Monitor	Hearings: PGHD Public Bill Hearing 12/3/2020 (7:00pm)

Positions

MCCC = Montgomery County Council: MCCE = Montgomery County Executive; MCHD = Montgomery County House Delegation; MCSD =Montgomery County Senate Delegation; PGCC = Prince George's County Council PGCE = Prince George's County Executive; PGHD = Prince George's House Delegation; PGSD = Prince George's Senate Delegation

Key Dates

- December 8, 2020 Montgomery County Delegation Local Bill Hearings
- December 3, 2020 Prince George's County Delegation local bill hearings
- December 8, 2020 Montgomery County Delegation public hearings for local and bi-county bills. (Delegation's YouTube channel)
- December 17, 2020 Metro Washington Area Committee meeting
- January 13, 2021 Opening Day of Session
- April 5, 2021 Sine Die

Websites

Maryland General Assembly: <u>http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/mgawebsite/</u>

2021 Session Calendar (PDF): <u>http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/pubs-current/current-session-dates.pdf</u> Track Legislation: <u>http://mgaleg.maryland.gov/webmga/frmTrackingMain.aspx?pid=trackpage</u> Montgomery County Delegation: <u>http://www.montgomerycountydelegation.com/</u> Prince George's County Delegation: <u>https://www.princegeorgeshousedelegation.com/</u>