

Office of the County Auditor
Auditor's Analysis

Amendment No. 2
Council Bill No. 63-2020

Amendment Proposed by: Opel Jones, Christiana Rigby, and Liz Walsh

Introduced: November 2, 2020

Auditor: Edward Shulder

Fiscal Impact:

We do not anticipate any fiscal impact as a result of this amendment.

The amendment's prohibition against using County resources is a codification of existing practice and should not bear a new fiscal impact to the County.

Purpose:

This amendment to Council Bill 63-2020 proposes to change the term "existing agreement" to "existing intergovernmental service agreement" and specify the parties to the agreement as Howard County and Immigration and Customs Enforcement on page 3, lines 6-7, and page 3, line 19, of the legislation.

This amendment also introduces language regarding the responsibilities of task force participants and specifies that County resources may not be used for civil immigration enforcement purposes.

Other Comments:

There are four references to the term "existing agreement" in the legislation. The proposed amendment modifies two of those references, leaving the references on page 4, line 6, and page 4, lines 10-11, unchanged. These unchanged references are being stricken in proposed Amendment 8. If that amendment is not amended and/or does not pass, two references to "existing agreement" will remain unchanged.