

Subject:

Council Testimony and Fiscal Impact

Statement

Re: AFSCME Council 67-Local 3085 AFL-CIO

To:

Lonnie Robbins

Chief Administrative Officer

Through:

Wanda Hutchinson

Human Resources Administrator

From:

Stacey Simmons Bungary

Chief, Classification and Pay

Date:

June 29, 2016

The Administration supports and urges the passage of the Council Bill which relates to the approval of a two year agreement and the adoption of conflicting provisions contained in the negotiated collective bargaining agreement with the AFSCME Council 67-Local 3085 for fiscal years 2017 & 2018.

The bill is submitted to the County Council pursuant to Section 1.111(e) of the Howard County Code in order for the Council to approve agreed-upon provisions in the collective bargaining agreement that conflict with the personnel provisions of the County Code and the Employee Manual.

The Bill's Exhibit A is the negotiated agreement in its entirety. Exhibit B to the bill contains all provisions determined to be in conflict with the Pay Plan and Employee Manual. The purpose is to give the Council a comprehensive assessment of the differences between the collective bargaining agreement negotiated with these employees and the County's personnel provisions.

The negotiated agreement with Local 3085 provides that it will have a term from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2018. The agreement includes an increase to grade H3, steps 1-7 in response the County's Living Wage policy, effective July 1, 2017 and a 2% Across the Board increase effective January 1, 2017. The changes to the bottom of the scale for grade H3 will have an approximate fiscal impact of \$19,000 and the January 2017 increase will have an approximate fiscal impact of \$171,000.

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