

HOUSE BILL 1146

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By: **Prince George's County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2013

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force to Study Locating Businesses in Libraries in Prince George's**
3 **County**

4 **PG 415-13**

5 FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Locating Businesses in
6 Libraries in Prince George's County; providing for the composition, chair, and
7 staffing of the Task Force; establishing the duties of the Task Force; prohibiting
8 a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but
9 authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to
10 report its findings and recommendations on or before a certain date; providing
11 for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to
12 Study Locating Businesses in Libraries in Prince George's County.

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
14 MARYLAND, That:

15 (a) There is a Task Force to Study Locating Businesses in Libraries in Prince
16 George's County.

17 (b) The Task Force consists of the following members:

18 (1) one member of the Senate of Maryland who represents Prince
19 George's County, appointed by the President of the Senate;

20 (2) one member of the House of Delegates who represents Prince
21 George's County, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

22 (3) one member of the Prince George's County Council, appointed by
23 the chair of the Council;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (4) the Prince George's County Executive, or the County Executive's
2 designee; and

3 (5) the following members, appointed by the Governor:

4 (i) one representative of the Board of Trustees of the Prince
5 George's County Memorial Library System;

6 (ii) one representative of the Literacy Council of Prince George's
7 County;

8 (iii) one representative of the Division of Library Development and
9 Services in the State Department of Education;

10 (iv) one member of the business community; and

11 (v) one member of the public.

12 (c) The members of the Task Force shall designate the chair of the Task
13 Force.

14 (d) The Prince George's County Memorial Library System shall provide staff
15 for the Task Force.

16 (e) A member of the Task Force:

17 (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

18 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard
19 State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

20 (f) The Task Force shall:

21 (1) study business models for cafes, coffeehouses, and other similar
22 businesses located in libraries or bookstores in Maryland and other states and
23 countries;

24 (2) determine whether locating businesses in some libraries in Prince
25 George's County would fill a void in the community, modernize the libraries, provide
26 revenue for the libraries, or otherwise be appropriate and feasible; and

27 (3) if determined to be appropriate and feasible, develop and
28 recommend a plan for locating businesses in some libraries in Prince George's County.

29 (g) On or before December 1, 2014, the Task Force shall report its findings
30 and recommendations to the Prince George's County Council, the Prince George's

1 County Executive, and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article,
2 the Prince George’s County Delegation of the General Assembly.

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
4 October 1, 2013. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 3 months and, at
5 the end of December 31, 2014, with no further action required by the General
6 Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.