

HB0306/693226/1

BY: Ways and Means Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 306
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after “**Development -**” insert “**Workgroup on**”; in line 3, strike “**Agency of**” and substitute “**in**”; in line 5, after the second “the” insert “**Workgroup on**”; in the same line, strike “Agency of” and substitute “**in**”; strike beginning with “establishing” in line 7 down through “Fund;” in line 9; in line 9, after “the” insert “**Workgroup on**”; and in the same line, strike “Agency of” and substitute “**in**”.

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 11 on page 1 through line 5 on page 2, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 7, strike “the Laws of Maryland read as follows”; and strike line 8 in its entirety and substitute:

“(a) There is a Workgroup on Independent Innovation in Prince George’s County.

(b) The Workgroup consists of the following members:

(1) one member of the Senate of Maryland who represents Prince George’s County, appointed by the President of the Senate, in consultation with the chair of the Prince George’s County Senate Delegation;

(2) one member of the House of Delegates who represents Prince George’s County, appointed by the Speaker of the House, in consultation with the chair of the Prince George’s County House Delegation; and

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(3) the following members, appointed by the Prince George's County Executive:

(i) one representative of the Prince George's County Chamber of Commerce;

(ii) one representative of the Maryland State Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People;

(iii) one representative of the Bowie Business Innovation Center;

(iv) one representative of INNOHUB at Prince George's Community College;

(v) one representative of Startup UMD;

(vi) one representative of Inncuvate Consulting; and

(vii) one representative of Employ Prince George's, Inc.

(c) From among its members, the Workgroup shall elect a chair every 2 years.

(d) The Maryland Technology Development Corporation shall provide staff for the Workgroup.

(e) A member of the Workgroup:

(1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Workgroup; but

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

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(f) The Workgroup shall:

(1) study and make recommendations regarding a Prince George's County Entrepreneurs-in-Residence program within the Maryland Technology Development Corporation;

(2) study and make recommendations regarding strategies to support investments in industry opportunities and potential areas of innovation; and

(3) collaborate with the Maryland Technology Development Corporation and other stakeholders in order to build partnerships and develop strategies to build Prince George's County's potential to become a hub for entrepreneurs and technology start-up companies.

(g) On or before January 15, 2026, the Workgroup shall report on progress, findings, and outcomes of the pilot Prince George's County Entrepreneurs-in-Residence program to the Prince George's County Delegation and, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2024. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of September 30, 2026, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect."

On pages 2 through 11, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 9 on page 2 through line 6 on page 11, inclusive.