



RMC Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2025

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Zoom

Participants: Co-Chair Kurt Fuchs, Steve McHenry, William Reid, Alice Settle-Raskin, Scott Warner, Bill Valentine, Gregory Padgham, Andrew Casilly, Kimberly Kratovil, Susan O'Neill, Bill Christopher, Joe Hinson, Grayson Middleton, Stacy Kubofcik, Janice Palmer, Susanne Richards, Josh Hastings, Matt Teffeau, Alyssa Hastings, John Hartline
RMC Staff: Megan D'Arcy, Molli Cole, Leeza DeCheubel

Co-Chair Kurt Fuchs welcomed the committee and began introductions at 2:02 pm.

The committee reviewed the minutes of the February 24, 2025, meeting, and the March 3, 2025, meeting. Bill Valentine motioned to approve the minutes; Josh Hastings seconded the motion. The minutes from both meetings were unanimously approved.

The committee discussed the FY2026 budget. This included that the Board of Revenue Estimates [BRE] recently met and concluded that an additional \$300 million needs to be reduced from the State budget. In addition, Megan D'Arcy provided an update that the RMC Executive Board has approved the Supplemental Budget request letter that is to be sent to Governor Wes Moore. This letter requests that RMC be restored to \$9 million. The committee then reviewed recent DLS recommendations, including the reduction pertaining to Program Open Space.

The committee reviewed the following crossover:

- Blueprint
- HB1554/SB1045 Sales and Use Tax - Taxable Business Services – Alterations
- HB286/SB266 Local Comprehensive Planning and State Economic Growth, Resource Protection, and Planning Policy - Planning Principles
- HB894/SB946 Endangered and Threatened Species - Incidental Taking - Bats
- HB341/SB344 Property Tax Credit - Retail Service Station Conversions
- HB56/SB177 Procurement - State Department of Education - Local Food Purchasing Program
- HB869/SB372 Preserve Telehealth Access Act of 2025

The committee discussed Maryland Day on Tuesday, March 25, 2025. The Council will be hosting an event at Lawyer's Mall from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 24, 2025, from 2:00 to 3:00 pm via Zoom.

Joe Hinson encouraged committee members to attend Forestry Day in Annapolis on Wednesday, March 12, 2025.

Co-Chair Kurt Fuchs adjourned the meeting at 2:22 pm.