

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND  
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Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Mr. Julian E. Jones Jr., Chairman  
By Request of County Executive

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By the County Council, - \_\_\_\_\_, 2021

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A BILL  
ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Office of the Inspector General

FOR the purpose of providing for an Executive Director of the Ethics Commission; providing for certain funding related to certain legal or investigative assistance; modifying qualifications for the Inspector General; authorizing the appointment of the Inspector General by the Oversight Board; authorizing the removal of the Inspector General by the Oversight Board under certain circumstances; amending funding procedures for the Office of Inspector General; requiring certain reports; clarifying the powers, duties and responsibilities of Office of the Inspector General; establishing rights and protections related to investigations by the Inspector General; establishing the Office of the Inspector General Oversight Board; and generally relating to the Office of the Inspector General.

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EXPLANATION:    CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.  
                      [Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.  
                      ~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from bill.  
                      Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,  
Sections 3-3-1004(d)(1) and 3-3-1005  
Article 3. Administration  
Title 3. Boards, Commissions, Committees, Panels, and Foundations  
Subtitle 10. Ethics Commission  
Baltimore County Code, 2015

Sections 3-14-102 through 3-14-110  
Article 3. Administration  
Title 14. Office of the Inspector General  
Baltimore County Code, 2015

BY renaming  
Article 3. Administration  
Title 14. Office of the Inspector General  
Baltimore County Code, 2015  
to be  
Title 14. Inspector General

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,  
Article 3. Administration  
Sections 3-14-101 through 3-14-110 to be under the amended subtitle "Subtitle 1. Office  
of the Inspector General"  
Baltimore County Code, 2015

BY repealing  
Sections 3-14-111 and 3-14-112  
Article 3. Administration  
Title 14. Office of the Inspector General  
Baltimore County Code, 2015

BY adding  
Sections 3-12-201 through 3-12-205 to be under "Subtitle 2. Office of Inspector General  
Accountability Board"  
Article 3. Administration  
Title 14. Office of the Inspector General  
Baltimore County Code, 2015

1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,  
2  
3 MARYLAND, that the Laws of Baltimore County shall read as follows:

1 Article 3. Administration

2 Title 3. Boards, Commissions, Committees, Panels, And Foundations

3 Subtitle 10. Ethics Commission

4 § 3-3-1004.

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6 (d) (1) [The Inspector General] THERE shall be [the] AN Executive Director of the  
7 Ethics Commission and the Office OF LAW shall provide legal and other staff support to the  
8 Ethics Commission.

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10 § 3-3-1005.

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12 At the request of the Ethics Commission, the County shall provide sufficient funds to the Ethics  
13 Commission should the need arise for:

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15 (1) Legal assistance which cannot be provided by the Office of Law [or the Office of  
16 Inspector General]; or

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18 (2) Investigative assistance which cannot be provided by the [Inspector General]  
19 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

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21 Title 14. [Office of the] Inspector General

22 SUBTITLE 1. OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

23 § 3-14-102.

24 The purpose of the Office of the Inspector General is to provide increased accountability and  
25 oversight in the operations of the county government by identifying:

26 (1) Fraud, [abuse] WASTE, and illegal acts in the county government; and

27  
28 (2) Ways to promote efficiency, accountability and integrity in county government.

29 § 3-14-103.

30 (a) [(1)] The Office of the Inspector General shall be headed by an Inspector General,  
31 appointed by the [County Executive and confirmed by the County Council] OFFICE OF THE  
32 INSPECTOR GENERAL OVERSIGHT BOARD.

33 [(2)] The County Executive shall conduct an open search process for the Inspector  
34 General to meet the qualifications required under subsection (c) of this section, and may use  
35 measures, such as regional or national recognized organizations or professional search firms, to  
36 review and select an Inspector General candidate for appointment.]

37 (b) (1) (i) The initial term of Inspector General shall be five years.

1 (ii) Each subsequent term shall be four years.

2 (2) An Inspector General may not serve more than two full terms, not including any  
3 time served as Inspector General to complete an unexpired term, and shall be subject to  
4 appointment for a second term in accordance with the provisions of [subsection (a)(1) of] this  
5 [section] TITLE.

6 (c) (1) The Inspector General shall be professionally qualified, by experience or  
7 education, in auditing, law, ethics, compliance, government operations, or financial management,  
8 and shall be selected solely on the basis of professional ability and personal integrity, without  
9 regard to political affiliation.

10 (2) THE INSPECTOR GENERAL SHALL HOLD AT THE TIME OF  
11 APPOINTMENT, OR BE REQUIRED TO OBTAIN WITHIN ONE YEAR AFTER  
12 APPOINTMENT, CERTIFICATION AS A CERTIFIED INSPECTOR GENERAL

13 (d) (1) The Inspector General may be removed by the [County Executive] OFFICE OF  
14 THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OVERSIGHT BOARD before the expiration of the term for  
15 which the Inspector General was appointed only for cause [, subject to the approval of the  
16 County Council by a vote of a majority plus one of the members of the County Council].

17 (2) The cause of removal shall be stated in writing and a public hearing held on the  
18 removal.

19 § 3-14-104.

20 The Inspector General [shall also serve as the Executive Director of the Ethics Commission, and]  
21 shall supervise the operations of the administrative staff of the Office of the Inspector General,  
22 including the hiring, direction and discharge of all Office of the Inspector General staff members  
23 in accordance with the County personnel laws.

24 § 3-14-105.

25 [(a) (1) The Office of Inspector General shall be funded as a separate budget entity in the  
26 annual budget and appropriation ordinance.

27 (2) Any decrease in appropriations from the prior fiscal year, in either the proposed or  
28 adopted budget, shall be accompanied by a written justification for the decrease.

29 (b) The Office may expend funds derived from private grants, the state or the United States  
30 to carry out its functions and activities, and to cooperate with any agency of the state or the  
31 United States in carrying out its functions and activities.]

32 (A) THE INSPECTOR GENERAL SHALL FORMULATE AND PREPARE ANNUALLY,  
33 OR AS FREQUENTLY AS REQUIRED BY LAW, A PROPOSED BUDGET TO FUND THE  
34 OPERATIONS OF THE OFFICE AND SHALL TRANSMIT THE PROPOSED BUDGET TO  
35 THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OVERSIGHT BOARD FOR ITS REVIEW.  
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1 (B) THE OVERSIGHT BOARD SHALL MEET TO REVIEW THE PROPOSED BUDGET  
2 SUBMITTED BY THE INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSESSING AND  
3 DETERMINING WHETHER, IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE OVERSIGHT BOARD, THE  
4 PROPOSED BUDGET PROVIDES SUFFICIENT FUNDING TO MEET THE DUTIES OF THE  
5 OFFICE.

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7 (C) THE OVERSIGHT BOARD SHALL EITHER:

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9 (1) APPROVE THE PROPOSED BUDGET AS SUBMITTED; OR

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11 (2) REVISE THE PROPOSED BUDGET IF THE OVERSIGHT BOARD  
12 DISAGREES WITH THE SUBSTANCE OF ANY ITEM CONTAINED IN THE PROPOSED  
13 BUDGET, INCLUDING ESTIMATES OF NEED AND AMOUNTS OF REQUESTED  
14 FUNDING.

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16 (D) THE BUDGET APPROVED BY THE OVERSIGHT BOARD SHALL BE THE  
17 BUDGET THE OVERSIGHT BOARD RECOMMENDS TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE FOR  
18 INCLUSION IN HIS ANNUAL BUDGET SUBMISSION TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

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20 (E) SUBJECT TO THE COUNTY'S SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION APPROVAL  
21 PROCESS, THE OFFICE MAY RECEIVE AND EXPEND FUNDS DERIVED FROM  
22 PRIVATE GRANTS, THE STATE OF MARYLAND OR THE UNITED STATES TO CARRY  
23 OUT ITS FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVITIES, AND TO COOPERATE WITH ANY AGENCY  
24 OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND OR THE UNITED STATES IN CARRYING OUT ITS  
25 FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVITIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS  
26 AND POLICIES.

27 § 3-14-106.

28 [The Office of the Inspector General may:

29 (1) Evaluate, investigate and inspect the activities, records, and individuals with  
30 contracts, procurements, grants, agreements, and other financial or programmatic arrangements  
31 undertaken by or on behalf of the county government and any other function, activity, process, or  
32 operation conducted by county government;

33 (2) Conduct criminal, civil, and administrative investigations;

34 (3) Provide information and evidence that relates to criminal acts to appropriate law  
35 enforcement officials;

36 (4) Initiate such reviews of operations of the county government as deemed  
37 appropriate;

1 (5) Receive and investigate complaints from any source or upon its own initiative  
2 concerning alleged abuse, fraud, and service deficiencies including deficiencies in the operation  
3 and maintenance of facilities;

4 (6) Conduct joint investigations and projects with the county auditor and  
5 investigations and other oversight or law enforcement agencies;

6 (7) Issue public reports as set forth in § 3-14-111 of this Title;

7 (8) Establish policies and procedures to guide functions and processes conducted by  
8 the office;

9 (9) Provide support to the county Ethics Commission established under Title 3,  
10 Subtitle 10 of this Article;

11 (10) Make recommendations to the County Executive and County Council which  
12 would assist in the promotion of efficiency, accountability, and integrity in county government;  
13 and

14 (11) Do all things necessary to carry out the functions set forth in this title.]

15 THE INSPECTOR GENERAL SHALL:

16 (1) RECEIVE AND INVESTIGATE COMPLAINTS OF FRAUD, WASTE AND  
17 ILLEGAL ACTS IN THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT;

18 (2) NOTIFY THE OVERSIGHT BOARD OF THE SUBJECT OF THE  
19 COMPLAINT AND DEVELOP A WRITTEN WORK PLAN THAT CLEARLY DEFINES  
20 THE PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF THE INVESTIGATION, THE AREAS AND POTENTIAL  
21 ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED, THE METHODOLOGIES TO BE USED, AND THE  
22 MANNER IN WHICH THE WORK WILL BE CONDUCTED;

23 (3) NOTIFY THE OVERSIGHT BOARD IF THE RECIPIENT OF A REQUEST  
24 FOR RECORDS, DATA, REPORTS, CONTRACTS, CORRESPONDENCE, OR OTHER  
25 DOCUMENTS HAS NOT COMPLIED WITH THE REQUEST WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER  
26 RECEIVING THE REQUEST;

27 (4) COMPLY WITH ANY RESTRICTIONS ON PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF  
28 DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION THAT ARE REQUIRED BY FEDERAL OR STATE  
29 LAW;

30 (5) REPORT THE FINDINGS OF AN INVESTIGATION TO THE OVERSIGHT  
31 BOARD, THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND THE PUBLIC;

32 (6) REPORT INVESTIGATIVE MATTERS TO THE APPROPRIATE  
33 ADMINISTRATIVE BODY FOR ACTIONS WHERE SUCH BODY EXISTS, AND REPORT  
34 CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE MATTERS TO THE APPROPRIATE LAW ENFORCEMENT  
35 AGENCIES;

1 (7) SUBMIT TO THE OVERSIGHT BOARD THE POLICIES AND  
2 OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES TO GUIDE FUNCTIONS AND PROCESSES  
3 CONDUCTED BY THE OFFICE; AND

4 (8) PROVIDE AN ANNUAL REPORT ON THE OFFICE'S WORK WITHIN 60  
5 DAYS AFTER THE END OF EACH FISCAL YEAR TO APPROPRIATE ELECTED AND  
6 APPOINTED LEADERSHIP, INCLUDING THE OVERSIGHT BOARD, COUNTY  
7 EXECUTIVE AND THE COUNTY COUNCIL, AND THE PUBLIC, WHICH LISTS ALL  
8 ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE OFFICE, INCLUDING ANY MONETARY SAVINGS  
9 DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE OFFICE'S WORK.

10 § 3-14-107.

11  
12 [(a) The Office of the Inspector General is provided the following powers to accomplish the  
13 intent of this title:

14 (1) The right to obtain full and unrestricted access to all records, information, data,  
15 reports, plans, projections, matters, contracts, memoranda, correspondence, and any other  
16 materials, including electronic data, of the county government;

17 (2) The authority to administer oaths or affirmations and take testimony relevant to any  
18 inquiry or investigation undertaken pursuant to this title;

19 (3) The right of access to the head of any public entity, when necessary for purposes  
20 related to the work of the Office; and

21 (4) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, the power to require County employees to  
22 cooperate with the Office's investigations regarding fraud, waste, corruption, illegal acts, and  
23 abuse.

24 (b) County employees failing or refusing to cooperate with the Office shall be subject to the  
25 discipline provisions of the personnel law or provisions of any applicable collective bargaining  
26 agreement.

27 (c) (1) The Office may issue a subpoena to compel compliance with a request issued under  
28 subsection (a) of this section if the recipient of the request has not complied with the request within  
29 90 days after the request.

30 (2) Subpoenas issued by the Office may be judicially enforced.]

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32 THE INSPECTOR GENERAL MAY:

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34 (1) REQUEST ACCESS TO ALL RECORDS, DATA, REPORTS, CONTRACTS,  
35 CORRESPONDENCE, OR OTHER DOCUMENTS OF AN ENTITY THAT IS THE SUBJECT  
36 OF THE INVESTIGATION, EXCEPT FOR RECORDS, DATA, REPORTS, CONTRACTS,  
37 CORRESPONDENCE, OR OTHER DOCUMENTS THAT ARE PROTECTED,  
38 CONFIDENTIAL OR PRIVILEGED UNDER FEDERAL OR STATE LAW;

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40 (2) CONDUCT JOINT INVESTIGATIONS AND PROJECTS WITH THE COUNTY  
41 AUDITOR;

1 (3) ISSUE MANAGEMENT REPORTS TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE  
2 OFFICER WHICH ADDRESS ISSUES IDENTIFIED BY AN INVESTIGATION WHICH  
3 WERE NOT THE SUBJECT OF THE INVESTIGATION;

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5 (4) MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE WHICH WOULD ASSIST IN THE  
6 PROMOTION OF EFFICIENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY AND INTEGRITY IN COUNTY  
7 GOVERNMENT;

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9 (5) MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SPECIFIC INTEGRITY PROGRAMS  
10 WHICH EMPHASIZE DETECTION, PREVENTION, AND CORRECTION OF PROBLEMS  
11 RELATING TO FRAUD, WASTE AND ILLEGAL ACTS WITHIN COUNTY  
12 GOVERNMENT;

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14 (6) ADMINISTER OATHS OR AFFIRMATIONS AND TAKE TESTIMONY  
15 RELEVANT TO ANY INVESTIGATION UNDERTAKEN PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE;  
16 AND

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18 (7) ISSUE A SUBPOENA TO COMPEL COMPLIANCE WITH A REQUEST  
19 ISSUED UNDER SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION IF THE RECIPIENT OF THE  
20 REQUEST HAS NOT COMPLIED WITH THE REQUEST WITHIN 90 DAYS AFTER  
21 RECEIVING THE REQUEST.

22 § 3-14-108.

23 [(a) The Office of Inspector General shall refer matters, as appropriate, for further civil,  
24 criminal, and administrative action to appropriate administrative and prosecutorial agencies.

25 (b) (1) When a matter is being referred to the Office of the State's Attorney for possible  
26 criminal prosecution, the Inspector General shall provide the affected individual or entity with  
27 a copy of the report or recommendations and such person or entity shall have 10 working days  
28 to submit a written explanation or rebuttal of the findings before the matter is referred, and  
29 such timely submitted written explanation or rebuttal shall be attached to the report or  
30 recommendations provided to the State's Attorney.

31 (2) The requirements of this subsection do not apply when the Inspector General, in  
32 conjunction with the State's Attorney, determines that supplying the affected person or entity  
33 with such report will jeopardize a pending criminal investigation.

34 (c) The Inspector General shall provide recommendations for specific integrity programs  
35 which emphasize detection, prevention, and correction of problems relating to fraud,  
36 corruption, and abuse within county government.]

37 (A) WHEN A MATTER IS BEING REFERRED TO AN ADMINISTRATIVE BODY OR  
38 LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, THE INSPECTOR GENERAL SHALL PROVIDE THE  
39 OVERSIGHT BOARD AND THE AFFECTED INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY WITH A COPY



1 OF THE REPORT OR RECOMMENDATIONS, AND THE AFFECTED INDIVIDUAL OR  
2 ENTITY SHALL HAVE TEN DAYS TO SUBMIT A WRITTEN EXPLANATION OF  
3 REBUTTAL OF THE FINDINGS BEFORE THE MATTER IS REFERRED, AND SUCH  
4 TIMELY SUBMITTED WRITTEN EXPLANATION OR REBUTTAL SHALL BE  
5 ATTACHED TO THE REPORT OR RECOMMENDATIONS PROVIDED TO THE  
6 ADMINISTRATIVE BODY OR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

7 (B) THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBSECTION DO NOT APPLY WHEN THE  
8 INSPECTOR GENERAL, IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN ADMINISTRATIVE BODY OR  
9 LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, DETERMINES THAT SUPPLYING THE AFFECTED  
10 INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY WITH SUCH A REPORT WILL JEOPARDIZE A PENDING  
11 CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION.

12 § 3-14-109.

13 [Anyone who has the authority to take or direct others to take, recommend, or approve any  
14 personnel action, may not, with respect to this authority, take or threaten to take any action  
15 against another as reprisal for making a complaint or disclosing information to the Office of  
16 Inspector General, unless the complaint was made or the information was disclosed with the  
17 knowledge that it was false or with willful disregard for its truth or falsity.]

18 (A) EACH EMPLOYEE OF A COUNTY DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY SHALL REPORT  
19 ANY FRAUD, WASTE AND ILLEGAL ACTS TO THE INSPECTOR GENERAL. AN  
20 EMPLOYEE WHO MAKES A REPORT IN GOOD FAITH OR COOPERATES WITH AN  
21 INVESTIGATION SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINARY ACTION FOR  
22 REPORTING FRAUD, WASTE AND ILLEGAL. COUNTY EMPLOYEES FAILING OR  
23 REFUSING TO COOPERATE WITH THE OFFICE SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE  
24 DISCIPLINE PROVISIONS OF THE PERSONNEL LAW OR PROVISIONS OF ANY  
25 APPLICABLE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT.

26 (B) AN EMPLOYEE OF A COUNTY DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY AND AN  
27 EMPLOYEE OF ANY CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR OF THE COUNTY MAY  
28 NOT BE RETALIATED AGAINST OR PENALIZED, OR THREATENED WITH  
29 RETALIATION OR PENALTY, FOR PROVIDING INFORMATION TO, COOPERATING  
30 WITH, OR ASSISTING THE INSPECTOR GENERAL IN CONNECTION WITH ANY  
31 ACTIVITY OF THAT OFFICE UNDER THIS TITLE.

32 § 3-14-110.

33 [(a) Investigation reports of the Office of Inspector General shall be public records subject to  
34 disclosure under the Maryland Public Information Act.

35 (b) (1) All records will be considered deliberative in process and not available for outside  
36 review.

1 (2) Names and identities of individuals making complaints and information protected  
2 by whistleblower protection or other legislation will not be disclosed without the written consent  
3 of the individual unless required by law or judicial process.]

4 (A) THE INSPECTOR GENERAL MAY NOT DISCLOSE THE IDENTITY OF THE  
5 SOURCE OF A COMPLAINT OR INFORMATION PROVIDED UNDER THIS TITLE  
6 UNLESS THE INSPECTOR GENERAL:

7 (1) OBTAINS THE WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE SOURCE; OR

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9 (2) DETERMINES THAT DISCLOSURE OF THE IDENTITY OF THE SOURCE  
10 IS NECESSARY AND UNAVOIDABLE DURING THE COURSE OF THE  
11 INVESTIGATION, AND NOTIFIES THE SOURCE IN WRITING AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS  
12 BEFORE DISCLOSURE.

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14 (B) THE INSPECTOR GENERAL SHALL ADVISE AN INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY OF  
15 THEIR RIGHTS DURING ANY INTERVIEW WITH THE INSPECTOR GENERAL,  
16 INCLUDING THE INDIVIDUAL'S OR ENTITY'S RIGHT TO HAVE AN ATTORNEY  
17 PRESENT.

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19 (C) ALL RECORDS OF THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL WILL BE  
20 CONSIDERED DELIBERATIVE IN PROCESS AND NOT AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC  
21 REVIEW.

22 [§ 3-14-111.

23 (a) (1) The Inspector General shall report the findings of the Office's work to appropriate  
24 elected and appointed leadership, including the County Executive and the County Council, and  
25 to the public.

26 (2) The Inspector General shall report investigative matters to the appropriate  
27 administrative body for action in circumstances where such body exists, and shall report  
28 criminal investigative matters to the appropriate law enforcement agencies.

29 (b) (1) Within 60 days after the end of each fiscal year, the Inspector General shall  
30 issue an annual report that separately lists reports and other investigative or assistance efforts  
31 completed during the fiscal year.

32 (2) (i) The report shall list the accomplishments of the Office of the Inspector  
33 General, including any monetary savings attributable to the work of the Office, and shall be  
34 provided to the County Executive and the Secretary to the County Council.

35 (ii) Upon issuance, notice shall be given to the public of the issuance of the  
36 report and the report shall be posted on the county government website.

37 § 3-14-112.

1 (a) Investigations, inspections and reviews shall be subject to quality assurance reviews by  
2 an appropriate professional, non-partisan, objective group every three to five years.

3 (b) A copy of the written report resulting from this review shall be furnished to the County  
4 Executive and the County Council, and shall be made available to the public.]

5 SUBTITLE 2. OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OVERSIGHT BOARD

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7 § 3-14-201.

8 THERE IS AN OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OVERSIGHT BOARD.

9 § 3-14-202.

10 (A) THE OVERSIGHT BOARD SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

11 (1) THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, OR THEIR DESIGNEE;

12 (2) THE COUNTY ATTORNEY, WHO SHALL CHAIR THE OVERSIGHT  
13 BOARD AND MAY ASSIGN STAFF TO THE OVERSIGHT BOARD FROM THE OFFICE  
14 OF LAW;

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16 (3) THE DIRECTOR OF BUDGET AND FINANCE, OR THEIR DESIGNEE;

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18 (4) THE COUNTY COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON, OR THEIR DESIGNEE; AND

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20 (5) THE SECRETARY TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL.  
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22 (B) THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND COUNTY COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON MAY  
23 APPOINT TWO ADDITIONAL MEMBERS TO THE OVERSIGHT BOARD FROM THE LIST  
24 PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (C) OF THIS SECTION IF:

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26 (1) THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE COUNTY COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON  
27 JOINTLY AGREE TO AN APPOINTMENT; AND

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29 (2) THE MEMBERS APPOINTED AGREE TO SERVE ON THE OVERSIGHT  
30 BOARD.  
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32 (C) THE TWO ADDITIONAL MEMBERS THAT MAY BE SELECTED TO SERVE ON  
33 THE OVERSIGHT BOARD PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (C) OF THIS SECTION SHALL  
34 ONLY BE AS FOLLOWS:

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36 (1) A COUNTY RESIDENT WHO IS A FACULTY MEMBER AT A LAW  
37 SCHOOL;  
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1 (2) A COUNTY RESIDENT WHO IS A FACULTY MEMBER AT A SCHOOL OF  
2 PUBLIC POLICY; OR

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4 (3) A COUNTY RESIDENT WHO IS A FACULTY MEMBER AT A SCHOOL OF  
5 PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION.

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7 § 3-14-203.

8 (A) THE OVERSIGHT BOARD SHALL MEET AT LEAST ONCE ANNUALLY.

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10 (B) A QUORUM OF THE OVERSIGHT BOARD IS FOUR MEMBERS.

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12 (C) AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF AT LEAST FOUR MEMBERS SHALL BE  
13 NECESSARY TO TAKE ACTION.

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15 § 3-14-204.

16 (A) THE OVERSIGHT BOARD SHALL:

17 (1) APPOINT OR REAPPOINT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL SUBJECT TO THE  
18 QUALIFICATIONS SET FORTH IN §3-14-103 OF THIS TITLE, SUBJECT TO THE  
19 CONCURRENCE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CONFIRMATION BY THE  
20 COUNTY COUNCIL;

21 (2) REVIEW ANNUALLY THE PERFORMANCE OF THE INSPECTOR  
22 GENERAL;

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24 (3) RECEIVE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S POLICIES AND OPERATIONAL  
25 PROCEDURES, AND EITHER:

26  
27 (I) APPROVE THE PROPOSED POLICIES AND OPERATIONAL  
28 PROCEDURES AS SUBMITTED, OR

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30 (II) RECOMMEND ALTERNATIVE PROPOSED POLICIES AND  
31 OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES IF THE OVERSIGHT BOARD DISAGREES WITH THE  
32 SUBSTANCE OF ANY ITEM CONTAINED IN THE PROPOSED POLICIES AND  
33 OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES;

34 (4) ENSURE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL COMPLIES WITH ALL APPLICABLE  
35 LAWS, POLICIES AND OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES;

36  
37 (5) RECEIVE, REVIEW AND REFER TO THE APPROPRIATE COUNTY  
38 DEPARTMENT COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL; AND

1           (6)    RECEIVE AND REVIEW NOTIFICATIONS OF THE OPENING OF  
2 INVESTIGATIONS FROM THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, WHICH SUCH NOTIFICATIONS  
3 SHALL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL.  
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5   § 3-14-205.

6   THE OVERSIGHT BOARD MAY REMOVE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL IN  
7 ACCORDANCE WITH § 3-14-103 OF THIS TITLE.  
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9           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act, including any changes in  
10 nomenclature, shall not effect or alter in any way any investigation previously concluded by the  
11 Office of the Inspector General prior to the effective date of this Act, or underway on the effective  
12 date of this Act.

13           SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act, having passed by the  
14 affirmative vote of five members of the County Council, shall take effect on August 2, 2021.