

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2019, Legislative Day No. 1

Resolution No. 2-19

Introduced by Mr. Volke

By the County Council, January 7, 2019

1 RESOLUTION urging the County Executive not to use funds received by Anne
2 Arundel County from the federal government, pursuant to an Intergovernmental Service
3 Agreement, for the legal representation of County detainees in civil proceedings instituted
4 by the Department of Homeland Security and pledging not to approve any related
5 budgetary requests

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7 WHEREAS, Anne Arundel County and the U.S. Immigration and Customs
8 Enforcement, a component of the Department of Homeland Security, are parties to
9 an Intergovernmental Service Agreement (the "IGSA") that allows holding up to
10 130 male detainees, aged 18 or older, with medium to low security ratings at the
11 Ordnance Road Detention Center; and

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13 WHEREAS, in the first 13 months of the program, the County received \$4,015,693
14 under the IGSA for housing detainees; and

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16 WHEREAS, on December 27, 2018 County Executive Steuart Pittman committed
17 to continuing the County's participation in the IGSA and stated that future funds
18 received pursuant to the IGSA would be directed to the following spending
19 categories: detention staffing, public safety, and legal representation of detainees;
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22 WHEREAS, the use of IGSA funds to provide legal representation to County
23 detainees in civil, non-criminal proceedings instituted by the Department of
24 Homeland Security provides greater benefits to these detainees than are provided
25 to citizens of the United States; now, therefore, be it

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27 *Resolved by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,* That it hereby
28 urges the County Executive, on behalf of Anne Arundel County, to refrain from making
29 any budget requests that any general funds, including those received pursuant to the IGSA,
30 be used to provide legal representation to detainees housed in Anne Arundel County
31 Detention Facilities in civil proceedings instituted by the Department of Homeland
32 Security; and be it further

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34 *Resolved,* That it hereby pledges not to approve any budget requests from the County
35 Executive that any general funds, including those received pursuant to the IGSA, be used
36 to provide legal representation to detainees housed in Anne Arundel County Detention
37 Facilities in civil proceedings instituted by the Department of Homeland Security; and be
38 it further

1 *Resolved*, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to County Executive Stuart
2 Pittman.