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County Executive Glassman Proposes Legislation to Put Term Limits for Future Harford County Council Members on 2022 Ballot

BEL AIR, Md., (Sept. 22, 2021) - County Executive Barry Glassman has proposed legislation that would let voters decide whether future Harford County Council members will be limited to two consecutive terms. If approved by the current council, the question would go on the November 2022 ballot.

There are no term limits on council positions currently. Each term is four years.

The proposed legislation would have the same two-term limit and provisions for council members that apply to the county executive. That includes allowing a term-limited council member to take a term off before running again for their seat.


Also under the legislation, council members could serve two consecutive terms then go on to serve as council president for up to two terms. The council president runs countywide whereas council members are elected in-district.

If approved, the two-term limit would begin with all council members elected in 2022, regardless of their prior terms served.

"I have been contacted by many constituents requesting that we place term limits for council members on the ballot in November 2022," County Executive Glassman said. "In fact, I have always supported term limits and actually supported an effort many years ago when I served on the council as a way to include more citizens in public service."

A draft of the legislation was sent to the council on September 8 welcoming co-sponsors.

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