

Committee: Directly to Council

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Purpose: To receive and release a report from OLO - No

vote expected

Keywords: state's attorney's office, prosecutorial decisions,

prosecutorial performance, prosecutorial data

AGENDA ITEM #18J July 12, 2022 Receipt and Release

SUBJECT

Receipt and Release of Office of Legislative Oversight Report 2022-8, *Prosecutorial Decisions in the State's Attorney's Office*

EXPECTED ATTENDEES

None

COUNCIL DECISION POINTS & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

None

DESCRIPTION/ISSUE

Council originally requested the Office of Legislative Oversight (OLO) to understand if there are significant differences by race or ethnicity that occur in prosecutorial decisions related to cases referred to the State's Attorney's Office (SAO). However, OLO learned that the SAO's outdated database contains significant limitations, not allowing the analysis required in a reasonable time. Therefore, this OLO memorandum report focuses on how the SAO's current systems collect data; how the SAO's current data project will help it collect needed information for better analysis; and what types of data the SAO should collect.

SUMMARY OF KEY DISCUSSION POINTS

The memorandum report will be available online at http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/olo after the Council votes to release the report on Tuesday, July 12, 2022.

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