## ORDINANCE NO. 2015 BCCO- 24

## AN ORDINANCE OF THE HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AMENDING PERSONNEL POLICIES HANDBOOK TO CLARIFY AND STANDARDIZE THE APPLICATION OF THE 90-DAY PROBATIONARY PERIOD

**WHEREAS**, the 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph of Section 2.14 of the Howard County Personnel Policies Handbook ("Handbook") currently provides as follows:

When an employee is transferred from Trainee/D-Team, FTA, or PT to FTPR employment, the ninety (90) days probationary period can be waived if the employee has already worked for ninety (90) days and the elected official/department head determines the probationary period is not required for the job position, this is for job performance only. The pay remains at the ninety percent (90%) wage, and benefits will be based on the full-time hire date.

WHEREAS, upon advice from the PAC Committee and the Personnel Director, the Board deems it appropriate to clarify, improve and standardize this provision.

## NOW, THERFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The foregoing third paragraph of Section 2.14 of the <u>Handbook</u> is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced with the following new third paragraph:

If a person has worked in a County office or department continuously for more than ninety (90) days as an FTA or PT status and advances without interruption to a FTPR status in the same office or department, such person shall not be subject to either the 90-day probationary period imposed by Section 2.14 or the 90-95% probationary wage reduction imposed by Section 3.5 of the Handbook.

- 2. In all other respects Section 2.14 shall remain unchanged.
- 3. This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption and signature by the Board.

READ AND ADOPT	TED THIS / DAY OF AUGUST, 2015.
	HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Paul G. Wyman, President
	Tyler O. Moore, Vice President

Robert B. Bray, Member

ATTEST:

Martha J. Lake, Howard County Auditor