

The inconsiderate 49-21 was expedited with further inconsideration of community input. Excluding community members (with the required experience that the board members must have, according to the bill) from the PAB will continue the monopoly that members of law enforcement have on the PAB, which stalls or completely prevents accountability for the Montgomery County law enforcement system. The bill even discourages community members from participating because it does not require compensation for them, which is especially important for the minorities and poor people who bear the brunt of bad policing, so their participation is crucial. Thus, expediting the bill, let alone having it in the first place, is very dangerous and harmful.

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