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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety - Emergency Management Advisory Council -**  
3 **Recommendations for Care of Domestic Animals During Emergency**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Emergency Management Advisory Council to  
5 include in a certain report to the Governor and General Assembly the  
6 recommendations of the Council for the care of the State's domestic animals in  
7 the event of a major natural disaster; and generally relating to the Emergency  
8 Management Advisory Council.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
10 Article - Public Safety  
11 Section 14-105  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2003 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article - Public Safety**

17 14-105.

18 (a) There is an Emergency Management Advisory Council.

19 (b) The Council consists of the members that the Governor designates,  
20 including:

21 (1) fair and reasonable representation for local government;

22 (2) representation for organizations that represent volunteer firefighters  
23 and rescue squads; and

24 (3) representation from manufacturing, utilities, and communications  
25 industries.

26 (c) A member of the Council:

1           (1)     may not receive compensation for service on the Council; but

2           (2)     is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State  
3 Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

4           (d)     The Council shall advise the Governor on all matters that relate to  
5 emergency management.

6           (e)     On or before December 31, 2005, and on or before December 1 of each year  
7 thereafter, the Council shall submit a report to the Governor and, in accordance with  
8 § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly concerning its  
9 activities and recommendations.

10        SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, in the report the  
11 Emergency Management Advisory Council submits on or before December 1, 2007 in  
12 accordance with § 14-105(e) of the Public Safety Article, the Council shall include  
13 recommendations for dealing with the care of the State's domestic animals in the  
14 event of a major natural disaster.

15        SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
16 October 1, 2006.