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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 721 (Senator Ramirez, et al.)

Judicial Proceedings Judiciary

Police Training Commission - Membership - Police Chiefs' Association of Prince George's County

This bill increases the membership of the Police Training Commission by adding the President of the Police Chiefs' Association of Prince George's County.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Any expense reimbursements for the additional member of the commission are assumed to be minimal and absorbable within existing budgeted resources.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law/Background: The Police Training Commission consists of the following 15 members:

- the President of the Maryland Chiefs of Police Association;
- the President of the Maryland Sheriffs Association;
- the President of the Maryland Law Enforcement Officers, Inc.;
- the Attorney General;
- the Secretary of State Police;
- the Police Commissioner of Baltimore City;
- the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland;
- the agent in charge of the Baltimore office of the FBI;

- the President of the Eastern Shore Police Association;
- a representative of the Maryland State Lodge of Fraternal Order of Police;
- the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services;
- the Chairman of the Maryland Municipal League Police Executive Association; and
- three police officials of the State appointed by the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services with the approval of the Governor and the advice and consent of the Senate.

The three members appointed by the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services must represent different geographic areas of the State. The term of an appointed member is three years and is staggered.

Except for the three appointed members, a member of the commission may designate a representative from the member's unit, agency, or association to act as that commission member. Commission members may not receive compensation but are entitled to reimbursement for expenses, under the standard State travel regulations, as provided in the State budget.

The commission usually meets four times per year at the Public Safety Education and Training Center in Sykesville, Maryland. The commission's mission is to ensure the quality of law enforcement through the establishment and enforcement of standards and the facilitation and delivery of training and education programs.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

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