

HOUSE BILL 378

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By: **Delegates Otto, Cane, Conway, Eckardt, Haddaway–Ricchio, Jacobs, Malone, McDermott, Weir, and Wood**

Introduced and read first time: January 23, 2014

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Somerset County – Service Award Program for Emergency Medical Services**
3 **and Fire and Rescue Personnel**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of County Commissioners for Somerset
5 County to establish a volunteer service award program for qualified members of
6 volunteer fire departments, ambulance companies, and rescue squads; providing
7 for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to benefits for Somerset
8 County emergency medical services and fire and rescue personnel.

9 BY adding to
10 Article – Public Safety
11 Section 7–212.1
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2013 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 **7–212.1.**

18 **BY RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY**
19 **COMMISSIONERS FOR SOMERSET COUNTY MAY ESTABLISH AND FUND A**
20 **VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM FOR QUALIFIED MEMBERS OF**
21 **VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS, AMBULANCE COMPANIES, AND RESCUE**
22 **SQUADS.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 July 1, 2015.