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AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 291
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2 after “Bargaining” insert “and Establishment of Task Force”; and in line 7, after “law;” insert “establishing the Task Force on Maryland Environmental Service Unionization; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the effective dates of this Act; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, after line 30, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

- (a) There is a Task Force on Maryland Environmental Service Unionization.
- (b) The Task Force consists of the following members:
 - (1) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;
 - (2) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the Senate minority leader;

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(3) one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

(4) one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the House minority leader;

(5) the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, or the Secretary's designee;

(6) the Executive Director of the State Labor Relations Board, or the Executive Director's designee;

(7) the Director of the Maryland Environmental Service, or the Director's designee;

(8) one representative of the Maryland Environmental Service specializing in human resources, appointed by the Director of the Maryland Environmental Service; and

(9) one representative of the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, appointed by the Governor.

(c) The Governor shall designate the chair of the Task Force.

(d) The State agencies represented on the Task Force shall provide staff for the Task Force.

(e) A member of the Task Force:

(1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

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

(f) The Task Force shall:

(1) study the need for unionization for employees of the Maryland Environmental Service;

(2) evaluate the cost implications associated with unionization for the Maryland Environmental Service and customers of the Maryland Environmental Service; and

(3) make recommendations regarding the matters studied and evaluated by the Task Force.

(g) On or before December 15, 2017, the Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.”;

and strike in their entirety lines 31 and 32 and substitute:

“SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 2017. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of May 31, 2018, with no further action required by the General Assembly, Section 2 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 2019.”.