
By: **Charles County Delegation**

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Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Charles County - Board of Fire and Rescue Commissioners - Sanctions**

3 FOR the purpose of clarifying the powers granted to the Charles County Board of Fire
4 and Rescue Commissioners to remove from office or bar from office certain
5 individuals who refuse to submit certain records under a certain local public law
6 or who violate certain provisions of a certain local public law; and generally
7 relating to the powers of the Charles County Board of Fire and Rescue
8 Commissioners.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 The Public Local Laws of Charles County
11 Section 54-7 C.
12 Article 9 - Public Local Laws of Maryland
13 (1994 Edition and June 1998 Supplement, as amended)

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

16 **Article 9 - Charles County**

17 54-7.

18 C. In addition to any other powers that are granted under this chapter, the
19 Board of Fire and Rescue Commissioners may:

20 (1) Swear witnesses and take sworn testimony;

21 (2) Hire a clerical or administrative assistant, provided that:

22 (a) The salary and benefits of the clerical or administrative
23 assistant are paid out of fire and rescue taxes; and

24 (b) The position of the clerical or administrative assistant is subject
25 to the provisions of the Charles County Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual;

26 and

1 (3) After consultation with the County Attorney:

2 (a) Require, as a condition of receiving tax moneys, each County
3 Fire Department and Rescue Squad, including a mobile intensive care unit, to submit
4 financial records or minutes of meetings to the Board;

5 (b) Remove from office, or bar from office, in any County Fire
6 Department or Rescue Squad, including a mobile intensive care unit, any individual
7 who refuses to submit any record as required under this [section] CHAPTER or
8 otherwise deliberately violates the provisions of this [section] CHAPTER; and

9 (c) Provide for an appeal process for any individual charged with a
10 violation under this section.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
12 effect October 1, 1999.