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FISCAL NOTE  
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House Bill 382 (Charles County Delegation)

Commerce and Government Matters

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Charles County - Board of Fire and Rescue Commissioners

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This bill clarifies that in Charles County an individual may be removed or barred from office in any county fire department and rescue squad, including a mobile intensive care unit, by the Board of Fire and Rescue Commissioners for refusal to submit required financial records or other deliberate violations relating to financial disclosures. The bill also authorizes the board to hire a program coordinator whose salary and benefits must be paid out of fire and rescue tax revenues. In addition, the bill repeals the requirement that the clerical or administrative assistant position be subject to the Charles County Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual.

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Fiscal Summary

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** Charles County expenditures would increase by approximately \$22,500 in FY 2000 and by \$30,000 each year thereafter. No effect on revenues.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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Fiscal Analysis

**Local Effect:** Expenditures would increase by approximately \$22,500 in fiscal 2000 for personnel expenses of the program coordinator for nine months. Charles County advises that the position would be contractual. Expenditures would increase by approximately \$30,000 each year thereafter. The cost of this position would be funded through the fire and rescue tax. The bill's provisions regarding the board's authority to remove or bar an individual from

employment clarify existing law. Repealing the requirement that clerical or administrative assistant positions be subject to personnel guidelines would not directly affect Charles County operations or finances.

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