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FISCAL NOTE
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House Bill 385 (Charles County Delegation)

Commerce and Government Matters

Charles County - Length of Service Award - Cost of Living Increase

This bill changes the formula by which the fiscal 2000 cost of living adjustment (COLA) is calculated for the length of service award program for qualified active volunteer members of the Charles County volunteer fire companies or rescue squads. The bill provides for an increase of \$1 (per month) to the value of 1 year's qualifying service. After June 30, 2000, the COLA reverts to its standard formula.

The bill is effective July 1, 1999.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Charles County expenditures could increase by approximately \$1,100 per year if 91 recipients of the length of service award each received an additional \$1 per month. Revenues from the dedicated county fire and rescue tax are sufficient to fund the additional award.

Small Business Effect: None.

Fiscal Analysis

Additional Comments: It is assumed that the additional \$1 is a **per month** increase in the award.

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