

BY: Commerce and Government Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1401

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike in its entirety line 2; in line 3, strike “Feasibility of Consolidation of Agencies that Provide Emergency” and substitute “the Organizational Structure of Operational Fire and Rescue”; strike beginning with “that” in line 5 down through “State” in line 12 and substitute “the Department of Legislative Services to conduct a certain study of the laws of other states to determine the organizational structure of operational fire and rescue services in other states; requiring the Department to submit a certain report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the Study of the Organizational Structure of Operational Fire and Rescue Services”; and strike in their entirety lines 13 through 17, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 19, strike “the Laws of Maryland read as follows”; and after line 19, insert:

“(a) The Department of Legislative Services shall conduct a study of the laws of other states to determine the organizational structure of operational fire and rescue services in other states.

(b) In conducting the study, the Department shall examine:

(1) the structure in other states for providing operational fire and rescue services, including whether those services are provided on a local or statewide level;

(2) the sources of funding in other states for operational fire and rescue services provided on a local or statewide level; and

(3) the existence in other states of any department, advisory council, commission, or other organizational unit that:

(Over)

(i) coordinates or oversees the delivery of operational fire and rescue services in those states; or

(ii) advises and provides guidance on issues that affect operational fire and rescue services on a statewide level.

(c) The Department shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2002.”.

On pages 1 through 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 20 on page 1 through line 18 on page 4, inclusive.

On page 4, in line 19, strike “3.” and substitute “2.”.