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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 631 (Dorchester County Delegation)
Commerce and Government Matters

Environment - Dorchester County - Sanitary Commission

This bill reduces the term of office for members of the Dorchester County Sanitary Commission from six to four years and sets December 1 as the last day of a member's term. The bill also provides that for commissioners appointed on or after December 1, 2002 two commissioners will have two-year terms expiring on December 1, 2003, two commissioners will have three-year terms expiring on December 1, 2005, and one commissioner will have a four-year term expiring on December 1, 2006.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Changing the term of office for sanitary commissioners would not affect Dorchester County finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Dorchester County Sanitary Commissioners serve six-year terms with the last day of their term set on July 1 of the appropriate year. Sanitary commissioners in Allegany, Dorchester, Garrett, Kent, and Somerset counties also serve six-year terms.

Background: The Dorchester County Sanitary Commission has five members, meets monthly, and is charged with providing safe and reliable water to consumers and returning clean water to the environment.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: SB 699 (Senator Colburn) – Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

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