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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 264

(Calvert County Delegation)

Commerce and Government Matters

Finance

Calvert County - Fire and Rescue - Length of Service Award Program

This bill makes changes to Calvert County's length of service award program for its volunteer rescue squads and fire departments. The bill eliminates the limit on the number of members per rescue squad or fire department that may receive length of service award program credit in any year. The bill also changes the designated title for a fire fighter who may earn credit under the program from "basic fire fighter" to "fire fighter I."

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill does not affect State governmental operations or finances.

Local Effect: Calvert County's payments toward its length of service award program will increase to reflect the potentially expanded number of members eligible for the program. The amount of such increase cannot be reliably determined at this time but could range from \$3,000 to \$55,000 per additional member in lifetime payments.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Not more than 55 members per rescue squad or fire department combination may receive program credit in any year, although a squad or department combination with more than 55 members may provide program credit for up to 75 members.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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