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FISCAL NOTE

House Joint Resolution 39 (Delegate Owings, *et al.*)
Commerce and Government Matters

Union Firefighters - Right to Volunteer at Local Volunteer Fire Departments

This joint resolution urges the President of the United States and the Maryland Delegation to the United States Congress to help preserve the right of firefighters who are members of a union to serve in local volunteer fire departments.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Compliance with this joint resolution would not directly affect State finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The State does not restrict career firefighters from volunteering at local volunteer fire departments.

Background: The International Association of Fire Fighters has approved a resolution that discourages its members from volunteering at local volunteer fire departments. Seventy percent of all career firefighters also volunteer at nearby departments.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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