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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 849

(St. Mary's County Delegation)

Environmental Matters

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

St. Mary's County - Citizens Nursing Home Board - Membership

This bill alters the number of members that may serve on the Citizens Nursing Home Board in St. Mary's County from 10 members to a minimum of 10 but not exceeding 15 members. The bill also provides that new positions, as approved by the county commissioners, must be initially filled by appointment by the county commissioners for terms to ensure balanced staggering of the expiration of terms of all members.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: None. Increasing the membership of the Citizens Nursing Home Board of St. Mary's County would not affect county finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The board of county commissioners or county council of every county in Maryland may establish a citizens nursing home board. The board shall consist of ten members with the initial members required to be appointed by the county commissioners or county council. Three of the initial members must be appointed for three years, three of the initial members must be appointed for two years, and three of the initial members must be appointed for one year. In St. Mary's County, as the terms of the initial appointees expire or as vacancies occur, their successors shall be appointed by the St.

Mary's County Commissioners for a term of three years if a term expires, or the rest of the term if a term is vacated.

Background: The St. Mary's Citizens Nursing Home Board was created in 1988. Members of the St. Mary's Citizens Nursing Home Board do not receive compensation for their services in accordance with Article 25, Section 254 (c).

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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