

BY: Appropriations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1353

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, strike “- Classification”; and strike beginning with “requiring” in line 4 down through “Police” in line 14 and substitute “confirming the status of certain employees as police officers and preserving those officers’ law enforcement commissions; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the status and commissions of certain police officers”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 17 on page 1 through line 9 on page 2, inclusive, and substitute:

“(a) This section applies to the implementation of the consolidation of the Natural Resources Police and the Forest and Park Service Rangers in the Forest and Park Service or any successor organization.

(b) All employees commissioned as law enforcement officers of the Forest and Park Service pursuant to Title 5, Subtitle 2 of the Natural Resources Article shall retain their law enforcement officer commission and certification for the duration of their employment with the Department of Natural Resources.

(c) (1) The classification title of the position of law enforcement officer of the Forest and Park Service at the rank of sergeant and above shall reflect the status of the position as a law enforcement officer.

(2) Use of the words sergeant, lieutenant, captain, major, lieutenant colonel, or colonel in the classification title meets the requirements of this paragraph.

(d) (1) A law enforcement officer of the Forest and Park Service shall be eligible and

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considered for any promotional opportunities for positions in the Forest and Park Service, and if selected for a position, shall assume the appropriate law enforcement officer classification title and rank of the officer who most recently held that position.

(2) Paragraph (1) of this subsection does not apply to applications for employment or promotional opportunities in the Natural Resources Police. A law enforcement officer of the Forest and Park Service who wishes to apply for a position in the Natural Resources Police shall comply with the hiring requirements of the Natural Resources Police.

(e) Except as provided for herein, nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the Secretary or other official of the Department of Natural Resources to control and manage the Forest and Park Service.”.