BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 383 (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, strike "- Classification Title"; and strike in their entirety lines 4 through 10, inclusive, and substitute:

"FOR the purpose of 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 13 on page 1 through line 21 on page 2, inclusive, and substitute:

"(a) <u>This section applies to the implementation of the consolidation of the Natural</u> <u>Resources Police and the State Forest and Park Service Rangers in the Department of Natural</u> <u>Resources.</u>

(b) All employees commissioned, as of March 24, 2004, as law enforcement officers of the State 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 Maryland 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.

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(d) <u>A law enforcement officer of the Maryland Park Service shall be eligible and</u> considered for any promotional opportunities for positions in the Maryland 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.

(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 Maryland Park Service.".