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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 190 Finance (Senator Kittleman)

Workers' Compensation Commissioners - Qualifications

This bill requires an individual to have significant experience practicing before the Workers' Compensation Commission (WCC) to qualify for appointment as a commissioner.

The bill applies to all members appointed on or after October 1, 2005.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill would not directly affect governmental operations or finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: WCC has 10 members, each appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. A member must:

- be at least 30 years old;
- have been a resident of Maryland for the most recent 5 years;
- be a citizen and qualified voter of the State;

- have been admitted to practice law in the State; and
- be distinguished for integrity, sound legal knowledge, and wisdom.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

Information Source(s): Workers' Compensation Commission, Department of

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