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Senate Bill 845

(Senator Conway, *et al.*)

Judicial Proceedings

Appropriations

Public Safety - Baltimore City Community College Police - Law Enforcement
Officers' Bill of Rights

This bill expands the coverage of the Law Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights (LEOBR) to members of the Baltimore City Community College (BCCC) Police.

The bill is effective July 1, 2006.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. Expansion of coverage of the Law Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights, and any accompanying modifications of personnel procedures used in disciplinary actions, is not expected to materially affect BCCC operations or finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The Law Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights was enacted in 1974 to guarantee police officers specified procedural safeguards in any investigation that could lead to disciplinary action.

It extends to officers of the following State and local agencies:

- the Department of State Police;
- the Baltimore City Police Department;

- the Baltimore City School Police Force;
- the Baltimore City Watershed Police Force;
- the police department, bureau, or force of any county;
- the police department, bureau, or force of any incorporated city or town;
- the office of the sheriff of any county;
- the police department, bureau, or force of any bi-county agency;
- the Maryland Transportation Authority Police and the police forces of the Maryland Department of Transportation;
- the police force of the Department of Natural Resources;
- the Field Enforcement Division of the Comptroller's Office;
- the Housing Authority of Baltimore City Police Force;
- the Crofton Police Department;
- the police force of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene;
- the police force of the Department of General Services;
- the police force of the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation;
- the office of the State Fire Marshal;
- the police forces of the University System of Maryland; and
- the police force of Morgan State University.

Background: The BCCC police department has nine officers.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: HB 1165 (Delegate Proctor) – Appropriations.

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