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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 1333 (Delegate Morhaim)

Health and Government Operations

Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems - Executive Director - Appointment

This bill requires the Governor to appoint the Executive Director of the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Altering the appointment process of the executive director would not affect governmental finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The Executive Director of MIEMSS is appointed by the Emergency Medical Services Board, with the approval of the Governor. The executive director serves at the pleasure of the EMS Board and is entitled to the salary provided in the State budget. Under the direction of the EMS Board, the executive director is the administrative head of the EMS Board and MIEMSS and performs any other duty or function that the EMS Board requires.

Background: MIEMSS oversees an EMS system that includes over 30,000 Maryland-certified EMS providers, 48 hospital emergency departments, 9 trauma centers, and the Department of State Police Medevac helicopter system that provides over 5,400

transports a year. MIEMSS regulates commercial ground and air ambulance services that provide 191,000 ground and 3,500 air transports annually.

Additional Information

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Cross File: None.

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