

**Department of Legislative Services**  
Maryland General Assembly  
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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**

House Bill 71 (The Speaker)(By Request - Department of Legislative Services)

Rules and Executive Nominations

Rules

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**Department of Legislative Services - Technical Changes**

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This departmental bill specifies that, after consultation with the Executive Director of the Department of Legislative Services (DLS), the Director of the Office of Legislative Information Systems must appoint qualified individuals to serve in management functions in the office. The bill also alters the appointment of individuals to serve in management functions in the Office of Policy Analysis, by requiring the Director of the Office of Policy Analysis to make the appointments, after consultation with the Executive Director of DLS.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill codifies current practice within DLS.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** DLS is comprised of the Office of the Executive Director, Office of Legislative Audits, Office of Legislative Information Systems, Office of Policy Analysis, and any other offices designated by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Subject to the policies and directives of the President and the Speaker, and the overall supervision and control of the executive director, the directors of the Office of Legislative

Information Systems and Office of Policy Analysis oversee the operation of the offices. State law specifies that the executive director, in consultation with the Director of the Office of Policy Analysis, appoints an appropriate number of qualified individuals to serve in management functions in the office, but does not specify responsibility for appointment of qualified individuals to serve in management functions in the Office of Legislative Information Systems.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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