COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND

BILL 19-9

BY: : Commissioners Bertino, Bunting, Elder, Mitrecic, Nordstrom and Purnell

INTRODUCED: October 15, 2019

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT Concerning

Public Safety - Fire Marshal

For the purpose of amending the Public Safety Article to modify the appointment process for the Worcester County Fire Marshal by the County Commissioners.

Section 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND, that Section § PS 1-301(a) of the Public Safety Article of the Code of Public Local Laws of Worcester County, Maryland be repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

§ PS 1-301. Establishment of office; powers and duties.

(a) Fire Marshal. The County Commissioners of Worcester County are hereby authorized to create and establish the office of Fire Marshal of Worcester County and to appoint a Fire Marshal. The Fire Marshal shall be an employee of Worcester County and shall enjoy all benefits and privileges of a regular employee of the county; provided, however, that the Fire Marshal may be removed by the County Commissioners for cause, upon written and sworn charges, after a hearing at which the Fire Marshal shall have an opportunity to be heard. The Fire Marshal shall receive such compensation as the County Commissioners shall determine. The salary and expenses of the office of the Worcester County Fire Marshal shall be paid by the County Commissioners and shall be in such amounts as the County Commissioners may from time to time determine necessary and appropriate.

Section 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND, that this Bill shall take effect forty-five (45) days from the date of its passage.

ATTEST: COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND Diana Purnell, President Oseph M. Mitrecic, Vice President Anthony W. Bertino, Jr. Made Burting Iames C. Church Theodore J. Elder Joshua C. Nordstrom	