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SYNOPSIS

Committee: Public Safety and Government Operations

Bill: 22-0256

Public Safety Apprenticeship Program Advisory Commission

Sponsor:

Councilmember Burnett, et al

Introduced: July 25, 2022

Purpose:

For the purpose of defining certain terms; establishing the Baltimore City Public Safety Apprenticeship Program Advisory Commission; providing for the purpose, composition, and duties of the Commission; establishing terms, procedures, and duties of the Commission; and generally relating to the Baltimore City Public Safety Apprenticeship Program Advisory Commission.

Effective: January 1, 2023

AGENCY REPORTS

Police Department	
Fire Department	(45)
Office of Emergency Management	
Sheriff's Office	
Baltimore City Public School System	
Mayor's Office of Employment Development	
Office of Civil Rights and Wage Enforcement	
Department of Finance	
City Solicitor	

ANALYSIS

Current Law

Article 1, Subtitle 29A of the Baltimore City Code establishes the Public Safety Apprenticeship Program. The Program is designed to recruit, mentor, train, and hire a new generation of Baltimore City youth and young adults for careers in law enforcement, fire suppression, emergency medical services, and emergency management. The program was created by Ordinance 22-147, enacted on July 7, 2022.

Bill Summary

The bill would establish the Baltimore City Public Safety Apprenticeship Program Advisory Commission, with the purpose of providing oversight, advice, and recommendations to facilitate the apprenticeship program.

The Commission would be comprised of 7 voting members and 4 nonvoting members. Voting members would be appointed by the Mayor and consist of the following individuals:

- 1 member from the Vulcan Blazers of Baltimore City, Incorporated
- 1 member from the Vanguard Justice Society, Incorporated;
- 1 member from the American Civil Liberties Union;
- 1 member from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People;
- 1 member from the Baltimore City Lodge #3 Fraternal Order of Police;
- 1 member from the International Association of Firefighters Local 734; and
- 1 member from the International Association of Firefighters Local 964.

The non-voting members would consist of the following individuals:

- The Mayor or the Mayor's designee;
- The President of the City Council or the President's designee;
- The Comptroller or the Comptroller's designee; and
- a member of the City Council committee overseeing public safety policy, nominated by the President of the City Council.

The bill would also add related definitions to Article 1, Subtitle 29A, specify the terms to be served by voting Commission members, provide certain meeting procedures and the authority for the Commission to adopt rules and regulations governing its meetings and operations, and outline specific duties of the Commission.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Fiscal Note: None

Information Source(s): Bill 22-0256, Baltimore City Code, Ordinance 22-147

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