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MEMORANDUM

To: Members, Anne Arundel County Council

From: Lori L. Blair Klasmeier, Deputy County Attorney /s/

Via: Gregory J. Swain, County Attorney /s/

Date: February 16, 2021

Subject: Bill No. 17-21: Personnel – Positions in the Classified Service – Job Classifications – Position Control – Fire Department – Police Department

Legislative Summary

This summary was prepared by the Anne Arundel County Office of Law for use by members of the Anne Arundel County Council during consideration of Bill No. 17-21, which modifies a job classification in the Fire Department, adds job classifications in the Fire Department, and modifies position control for the Fire Department and the Police Department.

Background. Subsection 6-1-201(d) of the County Code sets forth the titles, pay grades, minimum qualifications, and work week for each position in the classified service. As defined in § 6-1-201(b), a “B” work week means 40 hours; a “C” work week means hours as required; and a “D” work week means hours as scheduled.

Section 6-1-110(a) of the County Code provides that “the number and classification of positions, including the number of positions in each classification, in an office or department of County government that are approved as part of the annual budget and appropriation ordinance, shall not be changed during a fiscal year except as approved by ordinance of the County Council.” There are exceptions, which are not applicable here.

Purpose. The purpose of this Bill is to: (1) change the job classification of Fire Communications Operator to Fire Communications Operator I; (2) add job classifications of Fire Communications Operator II and Fire Communications Operator III; (3) modify the personnel summary approved as part of the FY21 budget for the Fire Department to decrease the 29 positions under Fire Communications Operator and to add those 29 positions under the new job classification of Fire Communications Operator I; and (4) to modify the personnel summary

Note: This Legislative Summary provides a synopsis of the bill as introduced. It does not address subsequent amendments to the bill.

approved as part of the FY21 budget for the Police Department by decreasing one Secretary II position, and increasing one Office Support Assistant II position.

Summary. Section 1 modifies § 6-2-101(d)(8) to change the job classification of Fire Communications Operator to Fire Communications Operator I, and to add job classifications Fire Communications Operator II and Fire Communications Operator III.

Section 2 modifies the personnel summary approved as part of the FY21 budget for the Fire Department to decrease the 29 positions listed under Fire Communications Operator and to add those 29 positions under the new job classification of Fire Communications Operator I.

Section 3 modifies the personnel summary approved as part of the FY21 budget for the Police Department by decreasing one Secretary II position, and increasing one Office Support Assistant II position.

Section 4 of the bill provides that it will take effect 45 days from the date it becomes law.

If there are any questions, please let me know.

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