

HOUSE BILL 1110

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By: **Delegates Kerr and Simpson**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Intrastate Emergency Management Assistance Compact – City of**
3 **Frederick**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the City of Frederick to participate in the Maryland
5 Intrastate Emergency Management Assistance Compact; and generally relating to
6 the Maryland Intrastate Emergency Management Assistance Compact.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article – Public Safety
9 Section 14–801(a) and 14–803(1) and (2)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Public Safety
14 Section 14–801(e)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 **Article – Public Safety**

20 14–801.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(e) “Jurisdictions” means the 23 counties within Maryland, Baltimore City, the City of Annapolis, the City of Bowie, **THE CITY OF FREDERICK**, the City of Laurel, and Ocean City.

14–803.

(1) Article 1. Purpose.

(a) (1) The purpose of this Compact is to provide for emergency management mutual assistance between the jurisdictions entering into this Compact.

(2) This Compact also shall provide for mutual cooperation in emergency management–related exercises, testing, or other training activities.

(2) Article 2. Requests for Assistance.

(b) (1) The senior elected official of each jurisdiction shall designate authorized representatives. An authorized representative of a party jurisdiction may request assistance from another party jurisdiction by contacting an authorized representative of that jurisdiction.

(2) The provisions of this Compact shall apply only to requests for assistance made by and to authorized representatives.

(3) Requests may be verbal or in writing.

(4) If verbal, the request shall be confirmed in writing at the earliest possible date, but no later than 10 calendar days following the verbal request.

(5) Written requests shall provide the following information:

(i) The functional areas for which assistance is needed, including fire services, law enforcement, emergency medical services, transportation, communications, public works and engineering, building inspection, planning and information assistance, mass care, resource support, health and medical services, and search and rescue;

(ii) The mission, capability, size, and amount of the requested aid; and

(iii) The logistics, location, and time for staging the aid from a responding party jurisdiction.

(6) There shall be frequent consultations between the Maryland

1 Department of Emergency Management and appropriate representatives of the party
2 jurisdictions with the unhindered exchange of information and plans generally relating to
3 emergency management.

4 (7) An authorized representative of the requesting party jurisdiction
5 will advise the Maryland Department of Emergency Management of verbal requests and
6 provide copies of written requests.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
8 October 1, 2024.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.