

Department of Fiscal Services  
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1163 (Delegate McHale)  
Environmental Matters

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**Uniform Laboratory Referral Form - Repeal**

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This bill repeals the requirements that (1) laboratories that require a health care provider to submit a written referral to receive laboratory services must accept a uniform laboratory referral form as the sole instrument for referrals for laboratory services; (2) physicians must use a uniform laboratory referral form; and (3) the Insurance Administration must adopt by regulation a uniform laboratory referral form.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill would not substantively change State activities or operations.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None. Although the bill would benefit laboratories by repealing the requirement for a uniform referral form, there are no small business laboratories in Maryland.

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**Information Source(s):** Insurance Administration; Office on Aging; Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (Community and Public Health Administration, Laboratories Administration); Department of Fiscal Services

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