

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 89 (Chairman, Appropriations Committee)
(Departmental - Public Safety and Correctional Services)

Appropriations

Death Benefits and Funeral Expenses - Public Safety Personnel

This bill clarifies that death and funeral benefits must be paid by the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to surviving members of State and county employees who are responsible for the care, custody, control, or supervision of offenders placed under community supervision and who are killed in the line of duty.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. This bill corrects a long standing grammatical error in the current statute, and clarifies that parole and probation agents qualify for death benefits (\$50,000) and funeral expenses (\$10,000) under this budgeted public safety provision. Since its creation in 1939, no parole or probation agents have been killed in the line of duty.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

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