Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 718 (Delegate Redmer, et al.) Judiciary

Theft - Penalties

This bill increases, from \$1,000 to \$50,000, the maximum fine for the crime of felony theft, which occurs when the value of the property or services taken is \$300 or greater.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Potential indeterminate increase in general fund revenues due to the bill's increased monetary penalty provision for those cases heard in the District Court. However, the increased monetary penalty would also increase the likelihood that these cases would be heard in the circuit courts. Expenditures would not be affected.

Local Effect: Potential indeterminate increase in revenues due to the bill's increased monetary penalty provision for those cases heard in the circuit courts. Expenditures would not be affected.

Small Business Effect: None.

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