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Senate Bill 278 (Senator Della)
Judicial Proceedings

Parking Ordinances and Regulations - Citations for Violations - Clarity and Content Requirements

This bill provides that a parking citation must include, clearly and in a noticeable place, notice of the provisions of the ordinances or regulations adopted by the political subdivision or State agency under the State law governing parking authority.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill's requirements could be met with existing resources.

Local Effect: The bill's requirements could be met with existing resources.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Any authorized State agency and political subdivision of this State may regulate the parking of vehicles, provide for vehicle impoundment, regulate vehicle towing, and provide for the issuance of a citation by an officer.

An officer who discovers an illegally parked vehicle must deliver a citation to the driver or attach the citation to the vehicle in a noticeable place and keep a copy of the citation which must certify that the facts in the citation are true. The registered owner is presumed to be the person receiving the citation, unless the driver is present.

Local Expenditures: Allegany, Montgomery, Prince George's, and Talbot counties all report that the bill would have little or no fiscal impact. Prince George's County advises that it already complies with the provisions of this bill.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

Information Source(s): City of Havre de Grace, Town of Indian Head, Wicomico County, Allegany County, Montgomery County, Prince George's County, Talbot County, Judiciary (Administrative Office of the Courts), Department of State Police, Town of Rising Sun, City of Frederick, Maryland Department of Transportation, City of Glen Arden, Baltimore City, Department of Legislative Services

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