## Department of Legislative Services Maryland General Assembly

2006 Session

### FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 269 Ways and Means (Garrett County Delegation)

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

#### **Garrett County - Board of Education - Member Expense Allowance**

This bill repeals the \$400 annual limit on travel expense reimbursements for members of the Garrett County Board of Education. Board members will be entitled to allowances for travel and other expenses as provided in the board of education budget.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2006.

#### **Fiscal Summary**

State Effect: None.

**Local Effect:** Any increase in Garrett County school expenditures resulting from the bill is expected to be minimal and absorbable within the budget for the county board of education.

Small Business Effect: None.

#### Analysis

**Current Law:** The five elected members of the Garrett County Board of Education are each entitled to reimbursement of up to \$400 per year for travel and other expenses at the rate Garrett County pays for mileage.

**Background:** The Garrett County Board of Education fiscal 2006 operating budget includes a total of \$13,700 for reimbursable mileage and reimbursable expenses for board

members. In fiscal 2004, similar amounts were budgeted but only \$8,640 was actually spent from the two reimbursement categories.

**Local Fiscal Effect:** Garrett County advises that it does not expect the bill to result in additional expenditures for the county board of education.

# **Additional Information**

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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