Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly 2013 Session

FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 1154 Judiciary (Delegates Nathan-Pulliam and Oaks)

Health - Transfer or Attempted Transfer of HIV to Another - Repeal

This bill repeals the crime of knowingly transferring or attempting to transfer the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) to another individual.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill's repeal of specified criminal penalties is not expected to materially affect State finances.

Local Effect: The bill's repeal of specified criminal penalties is not expected to materially affect local government finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: An individual who has HIV is prohibited from knowingly transferring or attempting to transfer the virus to another individual. An individual who violates this prohibition is guilty of a misdemeanor and, on conviction, is subject to a fine of up to \$2,500 and/or imprisonment for up to three years.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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