# **Department of Legislative Services** Maryland General Assembly

2014 Session

## FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 104	(Chair, Appropriations Committee)(By Request -
	Departmental - Budget and Management)

Appropriations

Finance

## **Department of Budget and Management - Budget Analysts - Qualifications**

This departmental bill repeals requirements that budget analysts hired by the Secretary of Budget and Management (1) have at least three years experience in personnel and other subjects related to the operation of a business organization; (2) be a graduate of a recognized school of business administration or have other experience required by the Secretary; and (3) meet any other qualifications set by the Secretary.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2014.

# **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** The bill is procedural in nature and does not directly affect governmental finances.

Local Effect: None.

**Small Business Effect:** The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) has determined that this bill has minimal or no impact on small business (attached). The Department of Legislative Services concurs with this assessment.

## Analysis

**Current Law:** The Secretary of Budget and Management must appoint one or more budget analysts to (1) continually conduct studies of all budget expenditures of units of the Executive Branch; (2) make recommendations to the Secretary to improve the efficiency of those units; and (3) perform any other duties specified by the Secretary.

Each budget analyst hired by the Secretary must meet the qualifications specified in the bill summary above.

**Background:** DBM advises that the current statutory qualifications for a budget analyst are outdated and do not reflect the broad range of knowledge and skills necessary to perform the duties of a budget analyst.

# **Additional Information**

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

**Information Source(s):** Department of Budget and Management, Department of Legislative Services

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## ANALYSIS OF ECONOMIC IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESSES

TITLE OF BILL: Department of Budget and Management - Budget Analysts - Qualifications

BILL NUMBER: LR0022.DBM#2

PREPARED BY: Department of Budget and Management

#### PART A. ECONOMIC IMPACT RATING

This agency estimates that the proposed bill:

\_\_X\_\_ WILL HAVE MINIMAL OR NO ECONOMIC IMPACT ON MARYLAND SMALL BUSINESS

OR

WILL HAVE MEANINGFUL ECONOMIC IMPACT ON MARYLAND SMALL BUSINESSES

#### PART B. ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS

None