

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE
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House Bill 641 (Delegate Exum, et al.)
Economic Matters

Referred to Finance

**Registration of Retail Service Station Dealers -
Extension of Conversion Moratorium**

This amended bill extends the conversion moratorium which provides that the Comptroller may not issue a certificate of registration to a dealer who sells motor fuel through a retail service station that is structurally modified after July 1, 1977 unless that station contains an enclosed work area for servicing vehicles and provides certain services. The bill extends the conversion moratorium from October 1, 1996 to October 1, 2000.

In addition, the bill provides that the Comptroller may issue a certificate of registration to a dealer who markets motor fuel through a retail service station that is altered, enlarged, or structurally modified if the owner and the dealer agree to the elimination of the enclosed work area. The bill repeals a requirement that the county, municipality, or zoning board must agree to the conversion of such a station to a gasoline-only outlet before the Comptroller may issue the certificate of registration.

The effective date of the bill is June 1, 1996.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill would not substantively impact State operations or finances.

Local Effect: None.

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