## **Department of Fiscal Services**

Maryland General Assembly

## **FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 781 (Delegate Harkins, et al.) Judiciary

## Courts - Victims of Crime - Immunity From Civil Liability

This bill prohibits a person engaged in a violent criminal activity from maintaining a civil action for damages against the victim of the criminal conduct. The bill also outlines the responsibilities of the court regarding the verification, termination, or postponement of the civil action.

## **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. Any impact on the Judiciary's caseload is expected to be minimal.

Local Effect: None.

**Information Source(s):** Judiciary (Administrative Office of the Courts), Office of the Public Defender, Department of Fiscal Services

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