Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE Revised

House Bill 991 (Delegate Valderrama, et al.) Judiciary

Referred to Judicial Proceedings

Correctional Officers - County and Municipal Facilities - Power to Make Arrests

This amended bill allows detention center administrators who are not sheriffs to designate correctional officers in each detention center to have the authority to make arrests on the property of a detention center.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill does not affect State activities or operations.

Local Effect: Potential increase in expenditures. No effect on revenues.

Fiscal Analysis

Local Expenditures: The bill allows detention center administrators to designate correctional officers who are authorized to make arrests and requires those officers to meet minimum qualifications adopted by the Maryland Police Training Commission. Baltimore County estimates a minimal increase in training expenditures. Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Harford, Montgomery, and Prince George's counties report no fiscal impact because they would likely not designate correctional officers to make arrests due to training costs. The Department of Fiscal Services advises that as this program is optional, any additional expenditures would depend on a county's decision to designate correctional officers to make arrests and the number of officers so designated.

Information Source(s): Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Dorchester, Garrett, Harford, Montgomery, and Prince George's counties; Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (Police Training Commission); Department of Fiscal Services

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