## **Department of Fiscal Services**

Maryland General Assembly

## **FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 932 (Chairman, Judiciary Committee, et al.) (Departmental - Human Resources)

Judiciary

## **Kinship Care Program - Kinship Parent - Definition**

This departmental bill exempts relatives within five degrees of consanguinity from child care home licensing requirements. The bill also alters the definition of kinship parent to include relatives within five degrees of consanguinity. Under current law, the relative had to be within four degrees of consanguinity.

## **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. Changing the definition of "kinship parent" to conform with federal policy would not affect State finances.

Local Effect: None.

**Small Business Effect:** The Department of Human Resources has determined that this bill has minimal or no impact (attached). Fiscal Services concurs with this assessment.

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