

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 223 (Delegate Morhaim, et al.)
Environmental Matters

State Board of Physician Quality Assurance - Referral of Disciplinary Actions - Peer Review

This bill authorizes the State Board of Physician Quality Assurance to refer certain allegations of grounds for disciplinary action to other expert peer reviewers if (1) the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty declines the investigation; (2) a conflict may occur as a result of referral; or (3) the board determines a need to expedite a peer review. The bill limits the amount of cases that may be referred to other reviewers for these reasons to 20% per year.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. This methodology of peer review utilizes volunteers and does not directly affect governmental operations and finances.

Local Effect: None.

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