Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 853 (Delegate Brinkley, et al.) Judiciary

Frederick County - State's Attorney - Criminal Investigators

This bill provides that a criminal investigator appointed by the Frederick County State's Attorney is subject to the regulations of the State's Attorney, must perform the duties prescribed by the State's Attorney, and must meet certain training and experience criteria. If an investigator meets the selection and training standards of the Police Training Commission, the State's Attorney may designate the criminal investigator as a peace officer. As a peace officer, an investigator may make arrests and possess and carry a firearm. In addition, an investigator may serve warrants, summonses, and subpoenas. An investigator is not, however, subject to the Law Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights.

The bill is effective July 1, 1996.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: None. Allowing criminal investigators to serve subpoenas, summonses, and warrants would not directly affect Frederick County finances. The bill does not create any new positions.

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