

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1183 (Delegate Poole)
Economic Matters

Craft Training and Assistance Program

This bill establishes a Craft Training and Assistance Program within the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation and requires the Maryland Apprenticeship and Training Council to administer the program. Beginning in fiscal 1998, the Governor must include an appropriation of at least \$1.2 million in the annual budget for the program. The council will award grants to approved private sector entities that operate apprenticeship or on-the-job training programs based on the number of participants in the program. A grant from the council is exempt from paying a prevailing wage rate that is based on a subsidy to defray costs of apprenticeship or other similar programs.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: General fund expenditures would increase by at least \$1.2 million annually beginning in FY 1998 to fund the Craft Training and Assistance Program. Revenues would not be affected.

(in millions)	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
GF Revenues	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
GF Expenditures	\$0.00	\$1.20	\$1.20	\$1.20	\$1.20
Net Effect	\$0.00	\$1.20	\$1.20	\$1.20	\$1.20

Note: () - decrease; GF - general funds; FF - federal funds; SF - special funds

Local Effect: None.

Fiscal Analysis

State Expenditures: This bill requires the Governor to provide an annual appropriation of at

least \$1.2 million beginning in fiscal 1998 to fund the Craft Training and Assistance Program. Therefore, general fund expenditures would increase by at least \$1.2 million annually beginning in fiscal 1998.

The Division of Labor and Industry would be able to support the Maryland Apprenticeship and Training Council in the administration of this program within existing resources.

Information Source(s): Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; Department of General Services

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