## **Department of Fiscal Services**

Maryland General Assembly

## FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 563 (Senator Hughes) Judicial Proceedings

## **Landlord and Tenant - Extension of Time for Surrender of the Premises**

This bill provides that the time for the surrender of a premises for failure to pay rent may be extended by the court "for a good cause and as justice may require," including the presentation of a certificate from a physician stating that vacating the premises would endanger the health or life of the tenant or other occupant.

## **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill would not directly affect the finances of the Judiciary. In addition, because it is assumed that the Consumer Protection Division will receive fewer than 50 complaints per year stemming from this from this bill, any additional workload could be handled with existing budgeted resources of the division.

Local Effect: None.

**Information Source(s):** Judiciary (Administrative Office of the Courts), Attorney General's Office (Consumer Protection Division), Department of Fiscal Services

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