## **Department of Fiscal Services**

Maryland General Assembly

## **FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 504 (Chairman, Environmental Matters Committee)
(Departmental - Maryland Energy Administration)
Environmental Matters

## **Maryland Energy Administration - Authority to Implement Programs**

This bill clarifies that the Maryland Energy Administration has the authority to enter into contracts, leases, and cooperative agreements, and to adopt regulations. Current law does not clearly provide that the Administration has such authority to operate all of its existing programs.

The bill is effective July 1, 1996.

## **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill primarily clarifies current law. Any workload increase stemming from the adoption of regulations for programs in which such authority is currently not clear could be handled with existing resources.

**Local Effect:** None.

**State Effect:** The Maryland Energy Administration has determined that this bill has minimal or no impact on small business (attached). Fiscal Services concurs with this assessment.

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