## **Department of Fiscal Services**

Maryland General Assembly

## FISCAL NOTE Revised

Senate Bill 254 (Senator Collins) Judicial Proceedings

Referred to Judiciary

## Parole Hearings - Oral Testimony by Victims of Violent Crime

This amended bill permits violent crime victims to present oral testimony at parole hearings in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Parole Commission.

## **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. Allowing oral testimony would not directly affect governmental finances. The Parole Commission is currently promulgating regulations that would permit victims five minutes to present oral testimony at a hearing.

Local Effect: None.

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