

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 475 (Delegate T. Murphy)
Judiciary

Vehicle Laws - Obstruction of Traffic While Soliciting Prostitution

This bill creates a violation for obstructing traffic with a motor vehicle while soliciting an act of lewdness, prostitution, or assignation. Further, the bill requires the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) to suspend the license of a person convicted of such violations for 60 days for a first offense and 120 days for a second or subsequent offense.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Minimal increase in general and special fund revenues. No effect on expenditures.

Local Effect: None.

Fiscal Analysis

State Revenues: General fund revenues could increase from the penalty provision applicable to this offense under the Maryland Vehicle Law, depending on the number of convictions and fines imposed. Any increase is assumed to be minimal. Special fund revenues could also increase by a minimal amount because the MVA imposes a \$15 fee for each application for reinstatement of a driver's license plus \$30 to reinstate the license.

State Expenditures: None. Any additional workload can be absorbed within the existing budgeted resources of the MVA and District Court.

Information Source(s): Department of Transportation (Motor Vehicle Administration),
Judiciary (District Court of Maryland)

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