

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 595 (Delegate Bozman)
Commerce and Government Matters

Vehicle Laws - Operation of Sound Amplification System - Noise Prohibition

This bill prohibits a moving vehicle from operating a “sound amplification system” that produces a noise level that exceeds 75 DBA in any area that is 50 feet or more outside the vehicle. In addition, the bill prohibits a parked vehicle from operating a sound amplification system that produces a noise level that exceeds 70 DBA in any area that is 50 feet or more outside the vehicle.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. Indeterminate general fund revenue increase from the penalty provision applicable to this offense under the Maryland Vehicle Law (maximum \$500 fine). Any increase is assumed to be minimal. Enforcement could be handled with existing resources.

Local Effect: None.

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