

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 436 (Delegate C. Mitchell, et al.)
Commerce and Government Matters

Baltimore City Public Schools - Norplant - Prohibition

This bill prohibits public school health programs administered in the Baltimore City Public Schools from offering or dispensing Norplant to students. The bill enables a school health program to refer students to community-based health centers.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill only alters the location where students receive Norplant contraceptives. Funding for Norplant by the Baltimore City Health Department would remain the same.

Local Effect: None.

Fiscal Analysis

Additional Comments: Norplant is a form of contraceptive. Since 1992 approximately 40 students have received Norplant contraceptives at public health clinics operated in Baltimore City Schools. Baltimore City is the only school system in the State that distributes Norplant to students.

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