

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 887 (Delegate Morgan)
Environmental Matters

Developmental Disabilities Administration - Hearings

This bill authorizes an applicant or recipient of developmental disability services to request a formal hearing based on (1) any action or inaction on the part of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene; or (2) the proposed release of the individual from a State residential center (SRC). If a hearing is requested, the release may not take place until a hearing decision is issued.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill codifies existing procedure.

Local Effect: None.

Fiscal Analysis

State Expenditures: Individuals are already afforded the opportunity by regulation to skip an informal hearing and request a formal hearing. These regulations apply to proposed releases and transfers from an SRC in addition to other actions regarding provision of services. In addition, the informal hearings conducted by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene are done in a manner similar to formal hearings and require an equivalent amount of preparation.

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