

Department of Fiscal Services  
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 498 (Delegate Curran)  
Commerce and Government Matters

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**Election Law - Filing Campaign Fund-Raising Reports - Exception for Ticket Purchases**

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This bill allows a candidate to purchase up to two tickets to another candidate's campaign fund-raising event without triggering the requirement to file a campaign fund-raising report provided the candidate does not receive contributions or make other expenditures in excess of the \$300 contribution and expenditure reporting threshold. Under current law, if a candidate receives contributions or makes expenditures of \$300 or more, the candidate and the candidate's treasurer must file certain campaign fund-raising reports.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. Any decrease in the number of reports filed with the State Administrative Board of Election Laws would be minimal. Accordingly, State finances would not be directly affected.

**Local Effect:** None. Any decrease in the number of reports filed with local elections boards would be minimal. Accordingly, county finances would not be directly affected.

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**Information Source(s):** State Administrative Board of Election Laws, State Ethics Commission, Department of Fiscal Services

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