Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1308 (Delegate Kach, et al.) Economic Matters

Multichannel Video Programming Subscribers - Continued Access to Services

This bill provides that a "subscriber" residing in a multiple dwelling unit of five or more units on one parcel of property for which "multichannel video programming" service has been provided may continue to receive that service even if an agreement to the contrary is entered into between the owner of the property and a different distributor of the service.

The bill may not be construed to apply to contracts or agreements between a distributor and a property owner entered into on or before September 30, 1996.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. Assuming that the Consumer Protection Division will receive fewer than 50 complaints per year stemming from this bill, existing resources should be adequate to handle any additional workload.

Local Effect: None.

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