## **Department of Fiscal Services**

Maryland General Assembly

## **FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 1458 (Delegate Conway, et al.) Environmental Matters

## **Working Dogs - Quarantine - Working Exemption**

This bill provides an exemption to quarantine requirements for a "working dog" that bites an individual while acting in the line of duty while assigned to a "law enforcement or correctional agency." The public health veterinarian or local health officer is to issue the exemption with the restriction that the dog's handlers must certify in writing that (1) the dog has been inoculated for rabies; and (2) the dog has exhibited no signs of illness after 10 days.

## **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill's requirements can be handled with existing budgeted resources.

**Local Effect:** None. The bill's requirements can be handled with existing budgeted resources.

**Information Source(s):** Department of State Police, Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (Division of Correction), Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Calvert County, Baltimore City

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