Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 829 (Delegate Dewberry) Ways and Means

Baltimore County - Board of Education - Election and Appointment of Members

This bill alters the selection process for members of the Baltimore County Board of Education from appointment by the Governor to a combination of gubernatorial appointments and district elections. The bill also increases the number of board members from 12 to 15, with one member elected and appointed from each of the seven council districts and one student member appointed from the county at large. The bill establishes a four-year term.

This bill takes effect June 1, 1996.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Baltimore County expenditures could increase by a minimum of \$4,800 annually due to three additional board members. Revenues would not be affected.

Fiscal Analysis

Local Expenditures: Based on fiscal 1996 expenditures, each additional member would increase county costs for food, mileage, and subscriptions by approximately \$1,600. In addition, Baltimore County expenditures may increase as a result of additional printing and advertising requirements for including school board nominees on the general election ballot. Additional costs associated with the counting and transmittal of ballots may also be incurred by the county. Any such increases, however, are assumed to be minimal and absorbable within existing resources.

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