

**Department of Fiscal Services**  
Maryland General Assembly

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Revised**

House Bill 1359 (Carroll County Delegation)

Environmental Matters

Referred to Economic and Environmental Affairs

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**Carroll and Howard Counties - Participation in the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority**

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This enrolled bill authorizes Carroll and Howard counties to become participants in the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority. To do so, the counties must file certified copies of resolutions of participation with the Secretary of State and the Department of Legislative Reference. The bill is effective July 1, 1996.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority revenues and expenditures could increase by an indeterminate amount, while Carroll and Howard counties' finances could be affected as discussed below.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

**Local Effect:** Currently, the five participating jurisdictions (Baltimore City and Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Harford, and Montgomery counties) in the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority each pay \$5,000 annually for the authority's general activities. If Carroll and Howard counties join the authority, it is assumed that each county would also pay \$5,000 to support the authority's general activities. In addition, county revenues and expenditures could be affected depending upon the scope of the solid waste program implemented by the authority and the impact of this program on each county's existing solid waste activities. If the authority's program results in a reduction in the volume of solid waste at each county's landfill, county revenues and expenditures could decrease. At this time, this impact cannot be reliably determined.

Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority revenues could increase by \$10,000 annually

with the addition of Carroll and Howard counties due to the counties' payments for supporting the authority's general activities. The authority's revenues and expenditures could also increase depending upon the scope of the solid waste programs undertaken in Carroll and Howard counties. This increase cannot be reliably determined at this time.

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