Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 619 (Senator Kasemeyer) Finance

Mental Hygiene Administration - Director - Qualifications

This bill provides that the Director of the Mental Hygiene Administration be an individual who has demonstrated competence in the field of mental health administration. Under current law, the director must be a licensed physician

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill does not affect the current director of the Mental Hygiene Administration. Any effect on out-year expenditures cannot be reliably determined at this time. However, when the current director leaves the position, the replacement's salary would be based upon the decreased professional requirements, level of experience, and years in the field. It is assumed that the replacement director would be in the Executive Pay Plan and not the Physician Salary Schedule since the director does not have to be a physician.

For illustrative purposes, the Director of the Developmental Disabilities Administration, a comparable position, is an ES Grade 7, Step 1 with a salary of \$78,883.

Local Effect: None.

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