Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 51 (Delegate Curran) Commerce and Government Matters

Lobbyist Reporting Requirements - Special Events

This bill requires lobbyists to report functions or special events to which a county or regional delegation of the General Assembly are invited. Current law provides that lobbyists must report these functions only if all members of the General Assembly, either house, or a standing committee are invited. The bill further requires that the presiding officer of the Senate or House of Delegates must be considered an ex officio member of any standing committee of the presiding officer's chamber under this reporting requirement.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill would not directly affect State finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Minimal impact on the administrative requirements of small lobbying businesses due to the reporting requirements of the bill. The finances of such small businesses would not be materially affected.

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