

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1461 (Delegate Hubbard, *et al.*)
Environmental Matters

Childhood Lead Screening - Exemption for Religious Beliefs and Practices

This emergency bill provides an exemption to the Childhood Lead Screening Program if the parent or guardian of the child objects to the screening because it conflicts with the parent's or guardian's bona fide religious beliefs and practices. The bill is contingent on the enactment of HB 1138, which creates the Childhood Lead Screening Program.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. It is not expected that this exemption will significantly affect the number of children screened under the program proposed by HB 1138.

Local Effect: None. It is not expected that this exemption will significantly affect the number of children screened under the proposed program.

Small Business Effect: None. It is not expected that this exemption will significantly affect the number of children screened under the proposed program.

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