

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE
Revised

House Bill 412 (Delegate Menes, *et al.*)

(Chairman, Special Committee on Drug and Alcohol Abuse)

Judiciary

Referred to Judicial Proceedings

Drug Forfeiture Actions - Procedure

This amended bill requires that applications for the forfeiture of money or currency contraband must include a proposed show cause order. The clerk of the court is required to provide copies of the show cause order to the petitioner and the owner on issuance of the order by the court. The bill increases from 10 days to 15 days the time frame for providing specified related notifications.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill’s provisions could be handled by the existing budgeted resources of the State Police and the Judiciary.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None. The bill would not directly affect small businesses.

Information Source(s): Judiciary (Administrative Office of the Courts), Department of State Police, Office of the Public Defender, Prince George’s County, Baltimore City, Frederick County

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