

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 154 (Delegate Conway, *et al.*)
Environmental Matters

Wicomico County - Barbecue Grills - Residential Dwellings

This bill prohibits the use of barbecue grills on balconies of residential dwellings and within 20 feet of a residential dwelling in Wicomico County. Violators are subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,000 and/or imprisonment not exceeding ten days.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Potential minimal increase in general fund revenues due to the bill's monetary penalty provision. No effect on expenditures.

Local Effect: Potential minimal increase in expenditures due to the bill's incarceration penalty provision. No effect on revenues.

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

Fiscal Analysis

State Revenues: General fund revenues could increase under the applicable monetary penalty provision depending upon the number of convictions and fines imposed.

Local Expenditures: Expenditures could increase as a result of the applicable incarceration penalty depending upon the number of convictions and sentences imposed. Counties pay the full cost of incarceration for the first 90 days of the sentence, plus part of the per diem cost after 90 days. Per diem operating costs of local detention facilities are expected to range from \$23 to \$83 per inmate in fiscal 1998.

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