

Department of Fiscal Services  
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE  
Revised

House Bill 615 (Delegate Preis, *et al.*)

Judiciary

Referred to Judicial Proceedings

Higher Education - Enforcement Powers

This amended bill authorizes the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) to administer oaths and issue subpoenas. If a person fails to comply with a subpoena issued by MHEC, the circuit courts are authorized to compel compliance with the subpoena, quash the subpoena, or amend the terms of the subpoena.

Fiscal Summary

**State Effect:** Potential minimal increase in general fund revenues to the extent that the bill's provisions improve MHEC's ability to enforce compliance with regulations and standards. Expenditures would not be affected.

**Local Effect:** None.

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

**Information Source(s):** Maryland Higher Education Commission

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