Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 735 (Delegate Cryor, *et al.*) Environmental Matters

Hospitals - Patient's Bill of Rights - Visitation

This bill requires a hospital to include in its patient's bill of rights a provision allowing a "terminal patient" to determine those individuals who may be allowed to visit the patient.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill's requirements could be handled with existing budgeted resources. Revenues would not be affected.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None. The bill would directly affect hospitals, which are not small businesses.

Information Source(s): Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (Community and Public Health Administration, Mental Hygiene Administration)

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