## **Department of Fiscal Services**

Maryland General Assembly

## **FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 975 (Delegate Rawlings) Appropriations

## **Treasurer - Staff - Special Appointments**

This bill designates the Treasurer's staff as special appointment employees who serve at the pleasure of the Treasurer. Under State personnel reform legislation passed last year (HB 774, Chapter 347 of the Acts of 1996), skilled service and professional service special appointees are exempt from the selection and termination provisions of their respective services.

## **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** Potential minimal reduction in personnel expenditures for the Treasurer's Office, resulting from the exemption from selection and termination procedural requirements that would otherwise apply. A special appointee who is a skilled service or professional service employee of the Treasurer's Office could be hired through an independent recruitment process and terminated for any reason. Under current law, that employee could only be hired through the State recruitment process and terminated for just cause. The Treasurer's office estimates that of its 48 employees, 36 are skilled service or professional service employees who would be affected by this legislation.

Local Effect: None.

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

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