

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1345 (Delegate Montague)
Judiciary

Family Law - Custody Criteria

This bill requires a court to consider specified factors in determining custody of a child, including, but not limited to, the present and future developmental needs of the child; each parent's experience in caring for the needs of the child; the age, background, development, and gender of the child; the extent to which a parent participated in parenting education programs; and the preference of the child.

The bill is applied prospectively.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill would not directly affect State finances.

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 Fiscal Services

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