Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1365 (Delegates Genn and Doory) Judiciary

Crimes and Motor Vehicle Accidents - Diplomatic Immunity

This bill requires each "criminal justice agency" in the State to report to the criminal justice information system central repository (CJIS) in the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS) information pertaining to any reportable event that would be sufficient for an action or proceeding to be taken against an individual who is entitled to diplomatic privileges and immunities. The Secretary of DPSCS must then report the data to the Bureau of Diplomatic Security, Office of Foreign Missions, of the U.S. Department of State. The Secretary must adopt regulations to carry out the reporting of data to the U.S. Department of State.

The Motor Vehicle Administration must send a copy of each accident report of an accident involving an individual who is entitled to diplomatic privileges and immunities to the Bureau of Diplomatic Security, Office of Foreign Missions, of the U.S. Department of State.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: General fund expenditures would increase \$4,000 - \$14,000 in FY 1998 due to the one-time cost of programming CJIS. Revenues would not be affected.

Local Effect: None. Local criminal justice agencies could handle the bill's reporting requirement with existing resources.

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

Fiscal Analysis

State Expenditures: Expenditures by the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services would increase \$4,000 to \$14,000 in fiscal 1998 due to the one-time cost of hiring an outside contractor to program the automated CJIS. State criminal justice agencies could handle the additional reporting requirement with existing resources.

The Motor Vehicle Administration could handle the bill's reporting requirement with existing resources.

Information Source(s): Judiciary (Administrative Office of the Courts, District Court of Maryland); Calvert, Howard, and Prince George's counties; cities of Bladensburg and Rockville; Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (Data Services Division); Department of Transportation (Motor Vehicle Administration); Department of Fiscal Services

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