

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE
Revised

Senate Bill 635 (Senator Della)
Finance

Referred to Environmental Matters

Health Services Cost Review Commission - Uncompensated Care - Reports and Notifications

This amended bill requires the Health Services Cost Review Commission (HSCRC) to submit to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Environmental Matters Committee, by October 1, 1997 and every year thereafter, a report on: (1) the regulatory, procedural, and policy changes relating to alternative methods for funding hospital uncompensated care; and (2) occasions in the past year when an HSCRC member approved or disapproved a grant to a facility or when a member asked to be recused from a vote due to his/her connection with the management or policy of the facility. The bill also provides that when the HSCRC submits regulations for publication in *The Maryland Register* relating to alternative funding methods for hospital uncompensated care, the commission must also send copies to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Environmental Matters Committee.

This bill takes effect June 1, 1997.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill's requirements could be handled with existing resources.

Local Effect: None.

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

Information Source(s): Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (Health Services Cost Review Commission, Medical Care Policy Administration); Department of Fiscal Services

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