Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1146 (Delegate Montague) Judiciary

Courts - Complaints - Allegation of Monetary Damages

This bill provides that a complaint that contains a claim for monetary damages filed in accordance with the Maryland Rules of Procedure in a circuit court or the District Court does not have to specify the sum of monetary damages sought. The complaint must, however, allege that the amount in controversy exceeds or falls within the required jurisdictional amount of the court where the complaint is filed.

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.

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