## **Department of Fiscal Services**

Maryland General Assembly

## **FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 1156 (Frederick County Delegation) Judiciary

## **Frederick County - Gaming**

This bill pertains to gaming regulations in Frederick County. The bill authorizes Frederick County to levy a per bag or per punchboard issuance fee. It also repeals the requirement that tip jar and punchboard operators must report expenses in the monthly report submitted to the county, and provides instead that the amount received by the operator be reported. Additionally, the requirement that the organization sponsoring the tip jar or punchboard reimburse the operator for operating expenses is repealed; the organization must only receive at least 70% of the gross proceeds.

This bill is effective July 1, 1997, and sunsets at the end of June 30, 1998.

## **Fiscal Summary**

State Effect: None.

**Local Effect:** None. The bill codifies current practice and makes technical changes to current law, but does not substantively affect county operations or finances.

**Small Business Effect:** None. This bill may reduce reporting burdens of tip jar or punchboard operators, but it is not expected to have a significant impact on business activities.

**Information Source(s):** Frederick County, Department of Fiscal Services

**Fiscal Note History:** First Reader - February 25, 1997

ncs

Analysis by: David F. Roose Direct Inquiries to:

Reviewed by: John Rixey John Rixey, Coordinating Analyst

(410) 841-3710 (301) 858-3710