## **Department of Fiscal Services**

Maryland General Assembly

## FISCAL NOTE Revised

Senate Bill 266 (Senator Baker)

Finance Referred to Environmental Matters

## **Medical Examiner - Autopsy - Notification of Families**

This amended bill requires the Chief Medical Examiner to provide ongoing training to deputy medical examiners and forensic investigators regarding the need to notify the family of a deceased, and when possible provide an opportunity for the family to view the body, prior to moving the body for an autopsy.

## **Fiscal Summary**

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

Local Effect: None.

**Small Business Effect:** The bill does not directly impact small businesses.

**Information Source(s):** Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (Office of the Chief Medical Examiner), Department of State Police, Baltimore City, Department of Fiscal Services

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