## **Department of Fiscal Services**

Maryland General Assembly

## FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 7 (Delegate Taylor and Chairman, Commerce and Government Matters Committee, *et al.*) Commerce and Government Matters

## Ethics Laws - Financial Disclosure Statements - Judicial Candidates

This bill requires a judicial candidate to file an additional financial disclosure statement each year prior to the election if the certificate of candidacy is filed in a year prior to the election and no such statement covering that full year is filed by the individual.

## **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The State Ethics Commission could collect the additional financial disclosure statements with existing resources.

**Local Effect:** None. The local elections boards could collect and forward the additional financial disclosure statements to the appropriate entity with existing resources.

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

**Information Source(s):** State Administrative Board of Election Laws, State Ethics Commission, Judiciary (Administrative Office of the Courts), Anne Arundel and Prince George's counties, Department of Fiscal Services

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