

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 707 (Delegate Preis, *et al.*)
Judiciary

Commission on the Future of Maryland Courts - Continuation of Executive Committee

This emergency bill continues, until the end of the 1998 Legislative Session, the Executive Committee of the Commission on the Future of Maryland Courts. The bill specifies that the committee must work with the Governor's Office, the legislative staff agencies, and the appropriate legislative committees to prepare appropriate constitutional amendments and legislation for introduction in the 1998 session of the General Assembly to implement the recommendations of the commission.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: General fund expenditures could increase by \$25,000 for the remainder of FY 1997 and FY 1998 as discussed below. Revenues would not be affected.

Local Effect: None.

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

Fiscal Analysis

State Expenditures: Since the original commission, which submitted its final report to the General Assembly in December 1996, operated over a two-year period on a State budget allocation of \$50,000, it is assumed that this executive committee could fully perform its statutory duties within an allocation of half that amount. Accordingly, this emergency bill would increase general fund expenditures by \$25,000 over the period from enactment through the 1998 session of the General Assembly.

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