

**Department of Fiscal Services**  
Maryland General Assembly

**FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 1157 (Delegate Stup)  
Environmental Matters

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**State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, and  
Speech-Language Pathologists - Appointment of Audiologist Members**

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This bill requires the Governor to appoint the audiologist members of the State Board of Examiners for Audiologists, Hearing Aid Dispensers, and Speech-Language Pathologists, with the advice of the Secretary of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, from a list submitted by the Maryland Academy of Audiology and the Maryland Speech-Language and Hearing Association. The number of names on the list must be at least three times the number of vacancies. For each audiologist vacancy on the board, the Maryland Academy of Audiology and the Maryland Speech-Language and Hearing Association must notify all licensed audiologists in the State to solicit nominations. The associations must conduct a mail ballot of all licensed audiologists to select the names that will be submitted to the Secretary and the Governor.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill would not directly affect State's finances.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None. The bill would not directly affect the finances of small businesses.

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