

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1237 (Washington County Delegation)
Ways and Means

Washington County - Board of Education - Membership

This bill increases the number of members on the Washington County Board of Education from five to seven. The bill provides that the two new board members be elected at the 1998 general election.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Washington County expenditures could increase by \$17,700 beginning in FY 1999 and by \$30,200 on an annualized basis.

Small Business Effect: None. Small businesses are not directly affected.

Fiscal Analysis

Local Expenditures: The Washington County Board of Education consists of five members elected from the county at-large. Board members' annual salaries total \$3,700 for the President of the county board and \$3,600 for other members. In addition, board members are entitled to receive health insurance and other fringe benefits regularly provided to school employees. The projected costs for the two additional board members is illustrated in **Exhibit 1**. Since the new board members will first take office in December 1998, local expenditures would not be affected until fiscal 1999.

Exhibit 1
Board Members Expenditures

	Annual Cost Per Member	Fiscal 1999 (reflects 7 months)	Fiscal 2000 (reflects 12 months)
Salaries	\$3,600	\$4,200	\$7,200
Health/Life Insurance*	\$4,720	\$5,518	\$9,440
Social Security	\$275	\$321	\$550
Workers' Compensation	\$13	\$15	\$26
Travel/Subscriptions/Dues*	\$6,500	\$7,600	\$13,000
Total Expenditures	\$15,108	\$17,654	\$30,216

*based on fiscal 1997 spending levels

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