Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE Revised

House Bill 1447 (The Speaker)
(Administration)
Commerce & Government Matters

Referred to Economic & Environmental Affairs

Elimination and Consolidation of Certain Boards and Commissions and Agency Reporting Requirements

This amended Administration bill eliminates and alters reporting requirements for specified State agency reports. It eliminates the State Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse and permits, rather than requires, an advisory council for physical fitness for each local jurisdiction. It transfers the control and appointment authority over local physical fitness councils to local jurisdictions and alters requirements for condominium developers to report to the Secretary of State.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None, as discussed below.

Local Effect: None, as discussed below.

Small Business Effect: A small business impact statement was not provided by the Administration in time for inclusion in this note. A revised fiscal note will be issued when the Administration's assessment becomes available.

Fiscal Analysis

State Expenditures: The bill would result in minimal savings in staff time and printing costs due to elimination of reporting requirements. It is assumed, however, that staff time will be reallocated to other functions. Elimination of the State Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse will not result in savings because the council has not been active in over five years.

Local Expenditures: The bill would result in minimal savings in staff time due to elimination of reporting requirements, since one of the eliminated reports is prepared by

community colleges. It is assumed that staff time will be reallocated to other functions and that new local responsibilities regarding local fitness councils can be handled with existing budgeted resources.

Information Source(s): Department of Fiscal Services, Department of Agriculture, Department of Budget and Management, Department of Business and Economic Development, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Department of Licensing, Labor and Regulation, Office of the Secretary of State, Maryland Higher Education Commission, Baltimore City

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