

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 868 (Delegates Stocksdales and Frank)
Judiciary

Task Force to Study the Creation of a Central Registry of Judgement Liens

This bill creates a nine-member Task Force to Study the Creation of a Central Registry of Judgement Liens. The primary function of the task force is to study the feasibility of creating a central registry so that a judgement creditor may record and index a lien with a circuit court that will be effective against the judgement debtor's interest in land located in any county in the State.

Task force members are entitled to expense reimbursements under the standard State travel regulations. The Department of Legislative Reference is required to staff the task force, which must make its final report to the Governor and General Assembly by December 31, 1997.

This bill takes effect June 1, 1997 and sunsets on December 31, 1997.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. Staffing the task force and providing expense reimbursements for members could be handled with existing resources.

Local Effect: None.

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

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