

**Department of Fiscal Services**  
Maryland General Assembly

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Revised**

Senate Bill 28 (Senator McCabe, *et al.*)

Judicial Proceedings

Referred to Judiciary

**Correctional Detention Facilities - Authorization for Medical Treatment of Juvenile Inmates**

This enrolled bill authorizes the chief officer of a correctional facility and the Director of the Patuxent Institution to authorize medical treatment for a juvenile inmate, and establishes the circumstances for the exercise of that authority. In addition, the bill provides that no liability may attach to the good faith exercise of this authority. Current law provides this authorization, without liability, to the warden of the Baltimore City Detention Center.

**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. Based on the experience at the Baltimore City Detention Center, authorizing medical treatment for juveniles would not materially affect the finances of other State operated institutions.

**Local Effect:** None. Local government finances would not be materially affected.

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

**Information Source(s):** Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (Division of Correction, Baltimore City Detention Center), Baltimore City, Prince George's County, Allegany County, Talbot County, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Department of Fiscal Services

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