SB 419

Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE
Revised

Senate Bill 419 (Senator Collins)
Economic & Environmental Affairs Ref. to Commerce & Government Matters

Ethics Law Gift Disclosure - Lobbyists

This amended, emergency bill exempts from the disclosure requirements under the Ethics Law a lobbyist's gift to that lobbyist's immediate family. The gift must be personal and private in nature and must not be related to lobbying activities. The gift must also be paid for by the lobbyist's personal funds. However, the State Ethics Commission retains the authority to require that a gift meeting the above requirements be disclosed if the commission determines that it is necessary.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. Altering the disclosure requirements would not materially affect the Ethics Commission's finances.

Local Effect: None.

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

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