Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 60 (Delegate Baldwin)

Economic Matters

Construction - Connectors and Studs

This bill repeals: (1) a prohibition on using welded clip connectors as temporary fastening devices in construction projects involving structural iron or steel; (2) a prohibition on erecting structural iron or steel beams, girders with shear composite studs, or reinforcing shear connectors; and (3) criminal penalties for such activities.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (Division of Labor and Industry) does not rely on this provision to address occupational safety and health issues within the Maryland Occupational Safety and Health (MOSH) program.

Local Effect: None. According to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, the use of connectors and studs covered under this provision is outdated. Therefore, repealing this provision should not affect local government finances.

Small Business Effect: None. Because the use of connectors and studs covered under this provision is outdated, this bill should not impact small construction businesses.

Information Source: Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation

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