

Department of Legislative Services  
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 220 (Delegate Jacobs. *et al.*)

Judiciary

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**Work-Release State Program and Harford County Program - Prohibitions**

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This bill excludes from work release programs operated by the Division of Correction (DOC) or Harford County any person convicted of specified crimes of rape, sexual offense, or child abuse.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** Minimal. Because there have historically been very few persons convicted of these crimes who have been allowed to participate in DOC work release programs (three in FY 1996; seven in FY 1997), the exclusion of their participation under this bill would have only a minimal impact on DOC operations and activities. State finances should not be affected.

**Local Effect:** Minimal. Harford County advises that this bill would have only a nominal effect on county detention center operations and finances.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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