

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE
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Senate Bill 20 (Senator Green)
Economic & Environmental Affairs

Election Judges - Minors

This bill authorizes Local Boards of Election to select minors at least age 17 to serve as election judges, provided the minors meet all other criteria for voter registration in the county. A minor is allowed to serve as an election judge only if the election board has first made a good faith effort to appoint a judge who belongs to the majority party or principal minority party.

This bill is effective July 1, 1998.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Minimal. The number of judge candidates available to local boards could increase as a result of this bill; however, any impact on finances could be handled with existing resources.

Small Business Effect: None.

Fiscal Analysis

Background: Current law requires that election judges be compensated at not less than \$20 for each day served. The rate of compensation for election judges ranges from \$65 to \$110 in the counties and Baltimore City.

Information Source(s): State Administrative Board of Election Laws, Department of

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