Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1191 (Delegates Getty and Brinkley)

Economic Matters

Insurance Commissioner - Fees - Service of Process

This bill repeals the \$15 fee payable to the Insurance Commissioner for service of legal process under the provisions that require unauthorized insurers and insurers applying for a certificate of authority to appoint the commissioner as attorney for service of process issued against the insurer in the State.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: General fund revenues would decrease by \$37,500 in FY 1999 and by \$50,000 annually beginning in FY 2000. Expenditures would not be affected.

(in dollars)	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
GF Revenues	(\$37,500)	(\$50,000)	(\$50,000)	(\$50,000)	(\$50,000)
GF Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0
Net Effect	(\$37,500)	(\$50,000)	(\$50,000)	(\$50,000)	(\$50,000)

Note: () - decrease; GF - general funds; FF - federal funds; SF - special funds

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Potential minimal.

Fiscal Analysis

State Revenues: Based on actual annual collections of \$50,000 in service of process fees by the Maryland Insurance Administration, the bill would result in a decrease in general fund revenues of \$37,500 in fiscal 1999, reflecting the bill's October 1, 1998 effective date, and a decrease of \$50,000 annually beginning in fiscal 2000.

Information Source(s): Maryland Insurance Administration

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