

**Department of Legislative Services**  
Maryland General Assembly

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Revised**

House Bill 722 (Charles County Delegation)

Commerce and Government Matters

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**Charles County - County Roads - Restricted Access**

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This amended bill requires the Board of County Commissioners of Charles County to select county roads under its jurisdiction that are not accessible for through traffic by trucks, tractors, or trailers that are over 26,000 pounds. The bill also requires that the selection of roads for these restrictions must have a reasonable relationship to the construction, use, and character of the roads in order to assure safety and good condition of the roads. In addition, the bill requires the commissioners to provide for the installation of traffic control devices at the entrances to the selected roads that give notice of the restricted access. Any violation of these provisions, or any ordinance or regulation adopted pursuant to the bill, is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of no more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than 60 days, or both.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** The monetary penalty provision of this bill would not materially affect State revenues. No effect on expenditures.

**Local Effect:** Any costs associated with the installation of traffic control devices which give notice of restrictions to traffic could be handled with existing resources of Charles County. The incarceration penalty provision of this bill is not expected to materially affect local expenditures. No effect on revenues.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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