

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 902 (Delegate Barve)

Environmental Matters

**Health Occupation Boards - Study of Codes of Conduct for Board Members and
Investigators**

This bill requires each health occupation board and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) to study the recommendations of the State Ethics Commission regarding the establishment of codes of conduct for members and investigators of health occupation boards. The study must consider ways to uniformly implement the recommendations among the health boards. In addition, each board must identify the necessary statutory changes required to establish and enforce a code of conduct. The health occupation boards and DHMH must report the results of their study to the Senate Economic and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Environmental Matters Committee by November 1, 1998.

This bill takes effect June 1, 1998.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill's requirements relating to the study could be handled with existing budgeted resources. Future expenditures relating to the establishment and enforcement of codes of conduct for members and investigators will depend on the results of the study.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

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