Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 442 (Senator Hollinger) Economic and Environmental Affairs

End Stage Renal Disease Program - Outpatient Facilities - Patient Referrals

This bill allows a health care practitioner who is treating a patient with End Stage Renal Disease, as defined by the federal Medicare program, to refer the patient to an outpatient dialysis facility, regardless of the practitioner's interest in or arrangements with the facility.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill would not directly affect State finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

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