

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE
Revised

Senate Bill 553 (Senator Frv)

Judicial Proceedings

Crimes - Child Pornography - Interception of Communications

This bill adds child pornography to the offenses that may be lawfully investigated by intercepting wire, oral, or electronic communications. The bill also adds this offense to those for which the Attorney General, the State Prosecutor, or a State's Attorney must receive a court order before lawfully making such interceptions without prior consent from a party to the interception.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. Any potential impact on State investigative operations is not expected to directly or significantly affect State finances.

Local Effect: None. Any potential impact on local government investigative operations is not expected to directly or significantly affect local finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Information Source(s): Judiciary (Administrative Office of the Courts), Office of the Attorney General, Department of Legislative Services

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