

Department of Legislative Services  
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 623 (Senators Haines and Ferguson) (Carroll County Senators)

Judicial Proceedings

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**Carroll County - Orphans' Court Judges - Salary**

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This bill increases the annual salary of each judge of the Orphans' Court for Carroll County from \$7,500 to \$10,000.

The salary increases would take effect at the beginning of the next term of office, which is December 1, 1998.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** Minimal increase in general fund expenditures associated with increased retirement contributions.

**Local Effect:** County expenditures would increase by \$4,710 in FY 1999 and by \$8,074 annually thereafter. No effect on revenues.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

**State Expenditures:** The three judges of the Orphans' Court for Carroll County are part of the State employees' retirement and pension system. As a result of the salary increases provided for by this bill, general fund expenditures for retirement contributions for the judges would increase by less than \$600 per year, based on the fiscal 1999 employer contribution rate of 7.13%.

**Local Expenditures:** The salaries of the judges of the Orphans' Court for Carroll County are paid with local funds. As a result of this bill, county expenditures would increase by an estimated \$4,710 in fiscal 1999, which reflects total salary increases and related fringe benefits for the last six months of fiscal 1999.

Future year expenditure increases of \$8,074 reflect full year salaries and fringe benefits.

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**Information Source(s):** Judiciary (Administrative Office of the Courts), Carroll County, Department of Legislative Services

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