

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 134 (Chairman, Commerce and Government Matters Committee)
(Departmental - Public Safety and Correctional Services)

Commerce and Government Matters

Public Records - Permissible Denials - State Correctional Facilities

This departmental bill includes State correctional facilities among the entities that are authorized to deny inspection of public records containing intelligence information or security procedures if the inspection would interfere with a law enforcement proceeding or investigation, or would physically endanger a person.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. While this bill is intended to enhance the safety and security of the State's correctional facilities, it is not expected to materially affect revenues or expenditures.

Local Effect: None. Local correctional facilities already have this inspection denial authority.

Small Business Effect: The Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services has determined that this bill has minimal or no impact on small business (attached). Legislative Services concurs with this assessment.

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