## **Department of Legislative Services**

Maryland General Assembly

## FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 275 (Delegates Vallario and Conrov)

Judiciary

## Civil Actions - Amendment to Ad Damnum - Case Transferred to Circuit Court

This bill provides that when a civil case is transferred from the District Court to a circuit court, a party shall have the right to amend the ad damnum clause of the party's complaint (which specifies the amount of damages sought) at any time prior to 60 days before a scheduled trial date.

The bill is applied prospectively only.

## **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The change is procedural/technical in nature and would not directly affect governmental finances.

Local Effect: None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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