

Department of Legislative Services  
Maryland General Assembly

**FISCAL NOTE**

Senate Bill 35 (Senator Boozer)

Judicial Proceedings

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**Restitution - Juvenile Delinquents**

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This bill prohibits a court from considering the age and circumstances of the child or the child's present or future ability to pay when determining whether to issue a judgment of restitution against a child.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** Potential minimal increase in revenues. No effect on expenditures.

**Local Effect:** Potential minimal increase in revenues. No effect on expenditures.

**Small Business Effect:** Potential minimal.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

**State Revenues:** To the extent that this bill results in the imposition of more and/or higher restitution awards against juveniles, and such awards are collectible, units of the State government that are victimized by juvenile crime could benefit. However, restitution is infrequently ordered to be paid to government entities.

**Local Revenues:** To the extent that this bill results in the imposition of more and/or higher restitution awards against juveniles, and such awards are collectible, local governments that are victimized by juvenile crime could benefit. However, restitution is infrequently ordered to be paid to government entities.

**Small Business Effect:** To the extent that this bill results in the imposition of more and/or higher restitution awards against juveniles, and such awards are collectible, small businesses that are victimized by juvenile crime could benefit.

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