

Department of Legislative Services  
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 475 (Senator Kellev. *et al.*)  
(Maryland State's Attorneys' Association)

Judicial Proceedings

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**Motor Vehicles - Reckless Endangerment**

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This bill provides that the misdemeanor of reckless endangerment may include conduct involving the use of a motor vehicle. The bill also clarifies that the discharge of a firearm from a motor vehicle is not reckless endangerment if the person who discharges the firearm is a law enforcement officer or security guard in the performance of duties, or an individual acting in defense of a crime of violence.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. It is assumed that any change in prosecutions or convictions of reckless endangerment arising from this bill would not significantly affect State operations or finances.

**Local Effect:** None. It is assumed that any change in prosecutions or convictions of reckless endangerment arising from this bill would not significantly affect local operations or finances.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Information Source(s):** Judiciary (District Court), Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (Division of Correction), Office of the Maryland State's Attorney Coordinator, Department of Legislative Services

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