

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 466 (Delegate C. Davis)

Commerce and Government Matters

**Ethics and Election Law - Candidates for Elective Office - Substance Abuse
Disclosure Statement**

This bill requires candidates for State public office to file a substance abuse disclosure statement with the State Ethics Commission. This statement must include the results of a blood or urine test for controlled dangerous substances and any other information required by the commission. Current law requires candidates to file only a financial disclosure statement.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. Any costs associated with developing regulations and receiving the filings could be handled with existing resources of the State Ethics Commission. The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Division of Licensing and Certification maintains a list of all labs certified to conduct blood and urine substance testing in the State of Maryland. The State Ethics Commission could use this list in adopting regulations required by the bill.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Information Source(s): State Ethics Commission, State Board of Elections, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (Division of Licensing and Certification)

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