Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 996 (Delegate McKee)

Judiciary

Courts - Victims of Crime - Immunity From Civil Liability

This bill prohibits a person who engages in criminal conduct involving a "crime of violence" from maintaining a civil action for damages against the victim of the criminal conduct.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill is similar to the prevailing doctrine of contributory negligence and is expected to apply in a limited number of cases. Therefore, any impact on the Judiciary's caseload is expected to be minimal.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Information Source(s): Judiciary (Administrative Office of the Courts), Department of

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