

**Department of Legislative Services**  
Maryland General Assembly

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Revised**

Senate Bill 46 (Senators Forehand and Della)

Judicial Proceedings

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**Family Law - Denial of Custody or Visitation -  
Murder or Voluntary Manslaughter**

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This bill prohibits a court from awarding custody of a child or visitation with a child to a parent convicted of first degree murder, second degree murder, or voluntary manslaughter of the other parent of the child. A court may approve of a supervised visitation arrangement if specified conditions are met.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill would not directly affect governmental finances.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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