Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 957 (Delegate Weir, et al.)

Environmental Matters

Natural Resources - Snapping Turtles

This bill provides that the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) may not prohibit by regulation the catching of snapping turtles by hook and line as a method of predator control in ponds on private property. Hooks set for predator control must have at least one inch between barb and shank and no more than 30 hooks may be set in any duck nesting area.

Fiscal Summary

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

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

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