

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 358 (Delegates Schade and Ports)

Environmental Matters

Tobacco Products - Purchase by Minors - Prohibition

This bill prohibits the purchase of tobacco products or cigarette rolling papers by a minor unless the minor is acting as the agent of his/her employer within the scope of employment.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Any effect on tobacco tax revenues is assumed to be minimal. Any increase in the Judiciary's caseload resulting from an increased number of complaints requiring court action is not expected to affect the Judiciary's finances.

Local Effect: None. Any additional circuit court workload resulting from this bill could be handled within existing resources. Enforcement could be handled with existing resources.

Small Business Effect: None.

Information Source(s): Judiciary (Administrative Office of the Courts), Comptroller of the Treasury (Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit), Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Department of Legislative Services

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