Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 378 (Chairman. Economic Matters Committee)

(Departmental - Labor, Licensing and Regulation)

Economic Matters

Business Occupations and Professions - State Board of Cosmetologists - Termination Provision - Extension

This departmental bill extends the sunset date for provisions of the Business Occupations and Professions Article related to the State Board of Cosmetologists from July 1, 1998 to July 1, 2001.

The bill has an effective date of July 1, 1998.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: State finances for the State Board of Cosmetologists in the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing would continue in FY 1999.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: The Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation has determined that this bill will have minimal or no impact on small businesses (attached). Legislative Services concurs with this assessment.

Fiscal Analysis

Background: The State Board of Cosmetologists licenses and regulates individuals who practice cosmetology in the State, and establishes health and safety standards for the operation of cosmetology salons and trade schools.

Pursuant to the Maryland Program Evaluation Act, the Department of Legislative Services is required to complete an evaluation of the State Board of Cosmetologists before the board is

terminated. The Department of Fiscal Services completed evaluations of the board in 1990 and 1995. Chapter 575 of 1997 provides for another evaluation of the State Board of Cosmetologists to be completed by July 1, 2000. However, under current law the Board of Cosmetologists will terminate on July 1, 1998, before the evaluation is completed.

State Revenues: State revenues will be maintained because the bill proposes to continue the Board of Cosmetologists. The proposed fiscal 1999 budget assumes \$800,000 in general fund revenues for this board.

State Expenditures: State expenditures will be maintained because the bill proposes to continue the Board of Cosmetologists. This proposed fiscal 1999 budget includes \$765,021 in general fund expenditures for this board. Out-year expenditures are expected to remain relatively constant.

Information Sources: Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; Department of Legislative Services

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