

Department of Legislative Services  
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

Revised

House Bill 958 (Delegates Morhaim and Bonsack)

Environmental Matters

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**State Board of Physician Quality Assurance - Disclosure of Physician's Address of Record**

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The bill requires the State Board of Physician Quality Assurance to include each licensed physician's designated public address on its list of currently licensed physicians. A physician's designated public address may be a post office box if the physician provides the board with a nonpublic address. The board must maintain the physician's designated nonpublic address on file. The nonpublic address is not a public record and may not be released by the board. The bill requires the board to offer each physician the opportunity to designate a nonpublic address, in addition to a public address, at the time of initial licensure and license renewal. In addition, the bill provides that the board may not release a list of physician applicants for board licensure.

The bill takes effect July 1, 1998.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill's requirements could be handled with existing resources.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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