Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 189

(Delegate Menes, et al.)

Judiciary

Family Law - Denial of Custody or Visitation - First Degree Murder

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

The bill applies only to individuals convicted on or after the bill's October 1, 1998 effective date.

Fiscal Summary

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

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

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