

Department of Legislative Services
 Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 859 (Delegates Genn and Doorv)
 (Committee to Revise Article 27)

Judiciary

Crimes - Disturbance of the Public Peace and Disorderly Conduct

This bill reorganizes and revises provisions relating to disturbing the peace and disorderly conduct. Most of the specified changes are based on current law provisions. These modifications include codification of common law, expansion of existing prohibitions, and definitions for the terms “public conveyance” and “public place”. The provisions concerning beaches, currently applicable only in Worcester County, have been broadened to apply statewide.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Minimal. Any substantive changes in statutory or common law prohibitions, or the application of penalties for these offenses, are not expected to significantly affect State operations or finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

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