

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE
Revised

House Bill 1289 (Delegate Howard. *et al.*)
Ways and Means

Tax Sale Procedure - Notice to Tenants

This bill requires a plaintiff foreclosing a right of redemption on a property to provide written notice of the action, by certified mail, to any known property tenant. A plaintiff must also send written notice of the proceeding, by first-class mail, to any tenant whose occupancy of the property is reasonably ascertainable by the plaintiff. A plaintiff must also give a tenant written notice of the plaintiff's intention to obtain possession of the property and that the tenant must vacate the property within 30 days after the notice. This notice must be sent by first-class mail, and provided after issuance of the judgment foreclosing the right of redemption and at least 30 days before taking possession of the property.

This bill is effective July 1, 1998.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. This bill would not materially affect State activities or operations.

Local Effect: None. This bill would not affect local finances.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Information Sources: Department of Assessments and Taxation, Prince George's County, Baltimore City, Department of Legislative Services

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