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FISCAL NOTE  
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House Bill 350 (Delegate Stern. *et al.*)

Environmental Matters

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**Task Force on Food Allergies and Restaurant Patrons**

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This bill establishes a ten-member Task Force on Food Allergies and Restaurant Patrons to examine the concerns of, and problems encountered by, individuals with a food allergy who eat in restaurants. The task force must recommend measures to address the problems and concerns identified by the task force and report its recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly by December 1, 2000. Staff is to be provided by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The task force terminates on April 30, 2001.

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**Fiscal Summary**

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

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

**State Expenditures:** None. Any expense reimbursements for task force members and staffing costs for the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene are assumed to be minimal and absorbable within existing budgeted resources.

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