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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 800 (Delegates Rosenberg and Oaks)

Appropriations

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Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission

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This bill extends the termination date of the Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission (CSRRC) from September 30, 1999 to September 30, 2002.

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Fiscal Summary

**State Effect:** State expenditures for the Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission would continue in FY 2000 as discussed below.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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Fiscal Analysis

**Bill Summary:** The bill requires CSRRC to make certain annual and other periodic reports to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) about provider reimbursement rate system adjustments, broadens the factors that CSRRC must consider in assessing reimbursement rates, and changes the date by which the annual report is to be submitted each year from July 1 to October 1. It provides that CSRRC is to have timely access to information from the executive branch. It requires the commission to send its recommendations to each State agency to which the recommendations apply and request the State agency to respond to the recommendations in writing. The bill prohibits a commission member from serving more than two consecutive terms, repeals a provision prohibiting more than three initial members from serving a second term, and increases the minimum number of meetings from two to four times a year.

**State Expenditures:** State expenditures will be maintained because the bill proposes to continue the Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission. The proposed fiscal

2000 budget includes \$156,200 in general funds for the commission. Out-year expenditures are expected to remain relatively constant.

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