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FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 412 (Senator Hooper. et al.)

Judicial Proceedings

Juveniles - Suspension of Driver's License for Alcoholic Beverages Violations

This bill requires, rather than authorizes, a court to order the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) to suspend the driver's license of a child if the court finds that the child misrepresented his/her age in order to obtain alcohol or possessed documentation falsely identifying the child's age. The suspension is six months for a first offense and would be effective until the child is 21 years old for second and subsequent offenses. The MVA may issue a restrictive license to a suspended licensee if the licensee: (1) has no alternative means of transportation available to or from the licensee's place of employment; (2) needs the license to attend school; or (3) needs the license to attend an alcoholic prevention or treatment program.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The Judiciary and the MVA could handle the requirements of the bill with existing resources.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Information Source(s): Maryland Department of Transportation (Motor Vehicle Administration), Judiciary, Office of Administrative Hearings, Department of Legislative Services

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