## **Department of Legislative Services**

Maryland General Assembly 1999 Session

## **FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 83 (Delegate Fulton)
Commerce and Government Matters

## **Election Law - Campaign Financing Reports - Liability for Late Filing**

This bill provides that a candidate is not liable for the failure of the treasurer of the candidate's political committee to file campaign finance reports in a timely manner. Under current law a candidate may not enter into office or receive a salary until all campaign finance reports have been filed with the State Board of Elections and late filing fees have been paid. If a violation occurs while the candidate is holding public office, the candidate's salary may be withheld until all required campaign finance reports have been filed and late fees have been paid.

## **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The change would not affect State finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

**Information Source(s):** State Board of Elections, Department of Legislative Services

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