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FISCAL NOTE
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Senate Bill 623 (Senator McCabe. *et al.*)

Finance

Assisted Living Programs - Small Facilities - Cost and Impact Study

This program requires the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH), after consulting with the Assisted Living Regulation Implementation Committee, to arrange to have a study conducted concerning the economic impact of State regulation on assisted living facilities with 16 or fewer residents. DHMH must submit the study to the Governor and General Assembly by January 1, 2000. The bill takes effect July 1, 1999.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: General fund expenditures could increase by up to \$150,000 in FY 2000 only. Revenues would not be affected.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Fiscal Analysis

State Expenditures: General fund expenditures could increase by up to an estimated \$150,000 in fiscal 2000. This estimate reflects an hourly rate of \$100 for 1,500 hours of an accounting firm's time to conduct the study. An estimated 3,000 of the 4,000 assisted living facilities have fewer than 16 residents. However, expenditures could be substantially less than \$150,000 to the extent that the contractor studies a limited sample of assisted living facilities.

Information Source(s): Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (Licensing and Certification Administration), Department of Legislative Services

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