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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 124 (Chairman, Judiciary Committee)
(Departmental - Public Safety and Correctional Services)

Judiciary

State Correctional Facilities - Inmates - Release on Mandatory Supervision

This departmental bill provides that an individual released by the Division of Correction (DOC) is subject to any special conditions established by a commissioner of the Maryland Parole Commission. The bill also provides that written orders from the DOC specifying the terms and conditions of the release of a prisoner on mandatory supervision must be made prior to an inmate's release. The bill specifies that the requirement for such written orders does not apply in the case of an inmate released to a detainer.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. This bill should have no fiscal impact on either the Maryland Parole Commission or the Division of Correction. Inmates released on parole, rather than mandatory supervision, may already be subject to special conditions. The bill may increase the incentives for supervisees to stay away from victims, participate in drug treatment, and follow recommendations from their parole officer. Incarceration and supervision costs are not anticipated to be materially affected.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: The Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services has determined that this bill has minimal or no impact on small business (attached). Legislative Services concurs with this assessment.

Information Source(s): Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (Maryland Parole Commission, Division of Correction), Department of Legislative Services

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