

Department of Legislative Services
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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 214 (Delegates Doorv and Dembrow)

Judiciary

Damages for Injury to or Death of Pet

This bill increases, from \$2,500 to \$5,000, the maximum civil liability for tortious injuries to a pet. The bill includes death of a pet under the same liability provisions. These changes are required to be construed prospectively only.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. These changes relate to civil actions only and would not directly affect governmental operations or finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Information Source(s): Judiciary (Administrative Office of the Courts), Department of Legislative Services

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