

Department of Legislative Services  
Maryland General Assembly  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

Senate Bill 85 (Senator Stone)

Judicial Proceedings

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**Family Law - Denial of or Interference with Visitation - Remedies**

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This bill authorizes a court in a custody or visitation proceeding to order a party who has unjustifiably denied or interfered with visitation rights to pay to the other party the reasonable expenses, including lost wages and travel expenses, incurred by the other party in attending the proceeding.

The bill applies to actions to enforce child custody or visitation orders filed on or after the bill's October 1, 1999 effective date.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill would not directly affect governmental finances.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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