Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 555 (Senator Hooper. et al.)

Judicial Proceedings

Vehicle Laws - Recovery of Evidences of Registration - Counties and Municipalities

This bill authorizes private parties, contracted by the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) to recover evidences of registration, to contract with municipalities to assist in the recovery of evidences of registration. If no municipality within a county agrees to enter into such a contract, the private party may contract with the county. Any remuneration received by the municipality or county from assisting in the recovery of the evidences of registration must be used to fund police training.

Fiscal Summary

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

Local Effect: Potential minimal increase in revenues.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Fiscal Analysis

Local Revenues: The proposed fiscal 2000 budget includes \$500,000 for the MVA's program to contract with private parties to recover the tags of vehicles that are uninsured. To the extent that such private companies contract with local jurisdictions to assist in tag recovery, local revenues and funding for local police training could increase. Any such increase cannot be reliably estimated at this time, although it is assumed that it would not be significant.

Information Source(s): Maryland Department of Transportation (Motor Vehicle Administration); Cecil, Prince George's, and St. Mary's counties; City of Salisbury;

Leonardtown

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