Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL NOTE Revised

House Bill 216 (Delegates K. Kellv and Vallario)

Judiciary

Evidence - Admissibility of Health Care Writings and Records and Paid Bills for Goods and Services - Notice of Service

This bill requires a party who intends to introduce the following documents into evidence to file a notice of service and a listing of the documents with the court instead of copies of the documents:

- a writing or record of a health care provider without the support of a health care provider's testimony; or
- a bill for goods or services without the support of the testimony of the provider of the goods or services.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Efficiency savings for the District Court. No effect on revenues.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Fiscal Analysis

State Effect: This provision mainly applies to District Court cases. As a result of this bill, the District Court clerk's office would experience efficiency savings due to no longer having to handle and store extra copies of documents to be introduced in evidence.

Small Business Effect: Small law firms could save on photocopying and mailing charges

by only having to send a notice of service and listing to the court instead of copies of the documents to be introduced in evidence.

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