Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1310 (Delegates Oaks and Nathan-Pulliam)

Appropriations

Health Care for the Uninsured

This bill requires the Governor to include \$300,000 in the fiscal 2002 budget for the Baltimore County Department of Health to use in the PARTNERS Health Improvement Program (PARTNERSH.I.P.), and \$200,000 to be used by the Baltimore City Health Department for use in the Men's Public Health Initiative.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: General fund expenditures would increase by \$500,000 in FY 2002. Revenues would not be affected.

Local Effect: \$300,000 revenue and expenditure increase for the Baltimore County Health Department in FY 2002. \$200,000 revenue and expenditure increase for the Baltimore City Health Department in FY 2002.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: There is no statutory provision requiring the Governor to fund these two programs.

Background: The Baltimore County Department of Health is overseeing the development of the PARTNERSH.I.P., which is a private-public partnership program providing comprehensive preventive health coverage for uninsured Baltimore County families whose incomes fall below 200% of the federal poverty level. The Baltimore City Health Department has created the Men's Public Health Center to provide access to health care

members of the male population of Baltimore who are currently uninsured or under insured.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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