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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 383 (Delegate Marriott. *et al.*)

Judiciary

Task Force to Assess the Needs of Newly Released Inmates

This bill establishes a 16-member Task Force to Assess the Needs of Newly Released Inmates.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Any expense reimbursements for task force members and staffing costs for the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS) and other State agencies are assumed to be minimal and absorbable within existing budgeted resources.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Bill Summary: This bill establishes a 16-member Task Force to Assess the Needs of Newly Released Inmates. The Governor is required to appoint an administrator and a coordinator from among the members of the task force. DPSCS is required to coordinate with other State agencies to provide staffing for the task force.

The bill provides for the specific responsibilities of the task force, which is required to meet at least once each month. The task force is authorized to apply for, accept, and use grants or other public or private financial aid to accomplish its duties. Members of the task force may not receive compensation, but are entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the standard State travel regulations. The task force is required to issue an interim report of findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by October 1, 2001, and issue a final report by

December 1, 2002.

The provisions of this bill are terminated after December 31, 2002.

Current Law: None applicable.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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