# **Department of Legislative Services**

Maryland General Assembly 2000 Session

### **FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 623 (Delegate Weir)

Economic Matters

## Real Property - Sales of Residential Property - Flood Insurance

This bill provides that if a purchaser of residential real property who is required to buy flood insurance as a condition of receiving a loan for the property establishes that the insurance was unnecessary, the lender must reimburse the purchaser for: (1) the cost of establishing that the insurance was unnecessary; and (2) the cost of all flood insurance premiums paid by the purchaser, plus 6% interest per annum on the amount paid.

# **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** The bill would not materially change governmental activities or operations.

Local Effect: None.

**Small Business Effect:** Potential minimal.

# **Analysis**

**Current Law:** No provision of law specifically regulates the requirement of flood insurance in mortgage contracts.

#### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

Cross File: None.

**Information Source(s):** Maryland Insurance Administration, Office of the Attorney General

(Consumer Protection Division), Department of Legislative Services

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