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FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 453 (Senators Middleton and Stone)

Judicial Proceedings

State Driver's Education Council

The bill establishes the 17-member State Driver's Education Council. The council must: (1) maintain oversight of driver education activities and programs in the State; (2) examine and evaluate necessary modifications and improvements to driver education; and (3) make recommendations based on its evaluations. The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) must provide staff support for the council. The council must submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly by October 1 of each year.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. Any expense reimbursements for the council members and staffing costs for MDOT are assumed to be absorbable within existing budgeted resources.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: There is no State Driver's Education Council under current law. The Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) monitors and regulates drivers' schools and instructors. Drivers' schools must be licensed and must provide a surety bond. Instructors must meet specified qualifications and must be licensed. Also, the MVA prescribes the curriculum that must be used in the drivers' schools.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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