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FISCAL NOTE
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House Bill 1064 (Montgomery County Delegation)
Ways and Means

**Montgomery County - Board of Education - Public Hearings on
Transportation of Students**

This bill requires the Montgomery County Board of Education to hold a public hearing on an appeal of the school superintendent's denial of an appeal of a decision by the school system's chief operating officer to add or delete a school bus stop or to eliminate or move a school bus route. Members of the public must be given a reasonable opportunity to testify and the board of education must make its decision publicly with each member's vote recorded.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Any costs associated with additional public hearings are assumed to be minimal and absorbable within existing budgeted resources.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: There are no statutory requirements that consideration of appeals must take place in a public hearing. The only legal requirements for public hearings on education matters statewide involve the expulsion or long-term suspension of students and the dismissal of certain professional employees.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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