Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly 2000 Session

FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 904 (Senator Miller. *et al.*)

Rules

General Assembly - Legislation - Single Subject

This bill proposes a constitutional amendment addressing the single subject requirement for legislation. It would require every law enacted by the General Assembly to describe its subject in its title. The bill also prohibits the General Assembly from enacting an omnibus bill embracing nongermane, multifarious subjects, and requires each house of the General Assembly to adopt a uniform rule of procedure requiring that each bill embrace but one subject.

The bill does not prohibit omnibus curative or corrective legislation or supplementary appropriation bills.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill would not significantly impact State finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The Maryland Constitution requires that every law enacted by the General Assembly shall embrace but one subject, and that shall be described in its title.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: HB 1436 (Delegate Taylor, et al.) - Rules and Executive Nominations.

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