Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 446 (Frederick County Delegation)

Environmental Matters

Frederick County - Motor Carrier Permits - Exception for Transportation System

This bill provides that a motor carrier permit is not required for the public transportation system for Frederick County established by the Board of County Commissioners for Frederick County.

Fiscal Summary

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

Local Effect: Efficiency savings for Frederick County public transportation system.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The public transportation system for Frederick County is not exempted from the requirement that a passenger motor vehicle used in the transportation of persons for hire have a motor carrier permit, although the public transportation systems for Washington and Allegany counties are exempted from that requirement.

Background: The Public Service Commission (PSC) regulates the Frederick County public transportation system for safety, but does not regulate its rates.

State Fiscal Effect: The PSC advises that the bill would have an insignificant effect on its workload.

Local Fiscal Effect: The bill would eliminate the need for the Frederick County public transportation system to undergo inspections by and submit paperwork to the PSC. The bill

would not eliminate the need for Frederick County to maintain its own public transportation fleet for safety.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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