# **Department of Legislative Services**

Maryland General Assembly 2000 Session

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 889 (Delegate Guns)

(Article 66B Study Commission)

**Environmental Matters** 

## **Growth Management - Land Use Definitions and Controls**

This bill revises, restates, and recodifies Article 66B, the State zoning and planning law, with no substantive change from current law.

## **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None. The bill's changes are not substantive in nature.

**Local Effect:** None. The bill's changes are not substantive in nature.

Small Business Effect: None.

## **Analysis**

**Current Law:** Article 66B governs zoning and planning in the State.

**Background:** This bill is a result of the Article 66B Study Commission in an attempt to: (1) provide consistent terminology and avoid confusion in similar terminology; (2) update terminology to current usage; (3) make the language of the statute easier to understand; (4) remove legalese; and (5) reorder provisions in a more organized fashion.

#### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** HB 658 of 1999 incorporated some of the nonsubstantive changes in this bill, but also included provisions that made substantive changes. The bill was referred to interim study by the Environmental Matters Committee.

Cross File: SB 624 (Senator Frosh) - Economic and Environmental Affairs.

**Information Source(s):** Maryland Office of Planning; Maryland Department of the Environment; Montgomery and Prince George's counties; Department of Legislative Services

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