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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 432 (Delegate Moe, *et al.*)
Environmental Matters

Job-Related Substance Abuse Testing - Specimens - Collection

This bill adds saliva derived from the human body to the list of specimens that may be used for job-related substance abuse testing; allows an employer to require that a person submit a specimen to be tested for the use or abuse of any controlled dangerous substance or alcohol; and requires the employer to employ quality assurance and chain of custody procedures and collect a sufficient quantity to perform an initial screening test, a confirmation test, and an independent test.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill would not substantively change State activities or operations.

Local Effect: Minimal.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law: A specimen includes blood, urine, or hair derived from the human body.

Additional Comments: The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene advises that to date the federal government has not approved the testing of saliva for this purpose.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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