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House Bill 1166 (Delegate Oaks, et al.)

Environmental Matters Finance

Alcohol and Drug Treatment to Work Pilot Program

This bill expands the types of training or employment that individuals who participate in the Alcohol and Drug Treatment to Work Pilot Program can receive to any training or employment approved by the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration (ADAA), and eliminates participant age restrictions. To implement the training or employment provisions of the bill, the ADAA can consider contracting with entities (such as the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation) which are authorized to expend federal training dollars under the Workforce Investment Act.

This bill also extends the sunset date of the Alcohol and Drug Treatment to Work Pilot Program to September 30, 2005.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The expanded program would cost \$436,000 in FY 2002, of which \$195,000 is included in the FY 2002 budget. Future years reflect an assumed annual appropriation for the life of the program, a 1% annual increase in program costs, and the September 30, 2005 sunset date. Revenues would not be affected.

(in dollars)	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
GF Expenditure	436,000	440,400	444,800	449,200	113,400
Net Effect	(\$436,000)	(\$440,400)	(\$444,800)	(\$449,200)	(\$113,400)

Note:() = decrease; GF = general funds; FF = federal funds; SF = special funds; - = indeterminate effect

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Minimal.

Analysis

Current Law: An individual selected for the pilot program is eligible to receive training to become a Certified Lead Abatement Technician or full-time employment with a State government contractor in housing inspection or lead abatement services.

The Alcohol and Drug Treatment to Work Pilot Program is a three-year program that sunsets on September 30, 2003.

Background: The Alcohol and Drug Treatment to Work Pilot Program provides one year of training or employment to individuals who are 18 to 34 years of age and who have completed an inpatient drug or alcohol treatment program. Participation is limited to 100 individuals, of whom 80% must be from Baltimore City and Prince George's County and 20% from Allegany, Dorchester, Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester counties. The program is a three-year program that is slated to serve 100 individuals, or about 33 individuals per year. Under the provisions of this bill, the program will serve approximately 20 individuals per year since the life span of the program is extended to five years.

State Expenditures: The fiscal 2002 budget includes \$195,000 for the pilot program. Program costs under the bill's provisions are estimated to be \$436,000 in fiscal 2002.

This estimate of program costs includes the following:

- training costs of \$20,000 annually (\$1,000 per individual for 20 individuals); and
- employment costs of \$416,000 annually (\$10 per hour x 40 hours per week x 52 weeks per year for 20 individuals).

Future years reflect 1% increases in program costs and the program's sunset date of September 30, 2005.

Additional Information

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