

**Department of Legislative Services**  
Maryland General Assembly  
2001 Session

**FISCAL NOTE**

Senate Bill 467            (Senator Collins)  
Judicial Proceedings

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**Evidence - Civil Actions - Benevolent Gestures**

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This bill provides that a “benevolent gesture” made to an individual involved in an accident or to a family member of the individual is inadmissible as evidence of an admission of liability in a civil action.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** The bill would not directly affect governmental operations or finances.

**Local Effect:** The bill would not directly affect governmental operations or finances.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** This issue is not currently addressed in statute.

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**Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** HB 48 (Delegate Boutin) – Judiciary.

**Information Source(s):** Judiciary (Administrative Office of the Courts), Department of Legislative Services

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