Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL NOTE Revised

House Bill 118 (St. Mary's County Delegation)

Commerce and Government Matters

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St. Mary's County - County Commissioners - Meeting Requirements

This bill requires the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County to meet at least 48 times a year, in accordance with the St. Mary's County Open Meetings Act.

This bill is effective June 1, 2001.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Providing the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County with greater flexibility in scheduling meetings would not directly affect county finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The County Commissioners of St. Mary's County are required to meet at least four times a month.

Background: The County Commissioners of St. Mary's County already meet at least 48 times a year due to the four meetings per month requirement. Making this administrative change will allow the county commissioners to better manage county business by having fewer than four meetings a month when county business is slow and more than four meetings a month when county business demands it. County business is typically slow in

July and December. St. Mary's County advises that county commissioner meetings are currently held in accordance with the St. Mary's County Open Meetings Act.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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