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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 109 (Delegate Petzold, *et al.*)

Commerce and Government Matters

Judicial Proceedings

Criminal Procedure - Mutual Aid Agreements - Nonemergency Aid

This bill expands the existing authority of the governing bodies of counties, municipal corporations, or the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission to enter into mutual aid agreements (involving personnel or equipment) with other like entities, within or outside the State, by eliminating the need for such agreements to be under emergency circumstances.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Minimal. The costs of such agreements would be negotiated; it is assumed that any such additional nonemergency agreements could be handled with existing budgeted resources of the affected governing bodies. The finances or operations of any participating local government are not expected to be significantly affected by any potential increases in efficiencies or effectiveness arising from this bill.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Mutual aid agreements of this nature (also referred to as reciprocal agreements) generally relate to policing plans and actions, and may be entered into “in an emergency.”

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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