Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 339

(Harford County Delegation)

Judiciary

Harford County - Correctional Facilities - Work Release - Eligibility

This bill excludes any person convicted of specified crimes of rape, sexual offense, or child abuse from work release programs operated by Harford County.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Minimal. Harford County advises that this bill would have only a nominal effect on county detention center operations and finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Inmates are not barred from participation in Harford County's employment, training, or rehabilitation programs by virtue of committing, or conspiring to commit, any criminal offenses. However, an inmate is subject to removal from a work release program for a violation of trust or a court ordered condition governing the inmate's conduct or employment.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: Similar bills were introduced during the 1998 and 1999 sessions. In 1999 HB 205 and SB 204, and in 1998 HB 220 and SB 187, received unfavorable

reports from the House Judiciary Committee and the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee, respectively.

Cross File: None.

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