Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1259 (Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George's County

Delegation)

Commerce and Government Matters

Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission - Budget Approval MC/PG 130-01

This bill sets the funding levels of the capital and operating budgets submitted by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) when the Montgomery and Prince George's county councils fail to concur on changes to the budgets. In the event that the two councils fail to reach an agreement by June 1, the disputed budget, whether it is the operating or capital budget, reverts to the funding level of the current fiscal year.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Altering the budgetary process may impact WSSC expenditures and revenues when the Montgomery and Prince George's county councils fail to reach agreement on a submitted WSSC operating or capital budget.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: WSSC submits its operating and capital budgets for the upcoming fiscal year to the county councils by January 15, and the councils are expected to have their revisions completed by June 1. The submitted WSSC budget is adopted if the county councils cannot reach an agreement by June 1.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: An identical bill was introduced at the 2000 session as HB 710. The bill was withdrawn.

Cross File: None.

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