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**FISCAL NOTE**

House Bill 1459

(Delegate C. Davis)

Ways and Means

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**Education - Student Teachers - Stipend**

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This bill requires local boards of education to provide student teachers with stipends. The State Board of Education will determine the amount of the stipends.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** Assuming a \$25 per day stipend for student teachers, local school expenditures would increase by approximately \$7.5 million in FY 2002. Future year expenditures would remain relatively stable, assuming the stipend amount and the number of student teachers remain constant. *This bill imposes a mandate on a unit of local government.*

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** Local boards of education are not required to provide stipends to student teachers. Local boards may make agreements or financial arrangements with institutions of higher education to provide classroom experience for student teachers.

**Local Expenditures:** Local boards of education do not currently provide stipends to student teachers. The Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) estimates that approximately 3,000 teacher education candidates who are being prepared by Maryland colleges and universities will act as student teachers in Maryland schools during the

2001-2002 academic year (fiscal 2002). Each of these students will complete at least 100 days of student teaching. MSDE estimates that the State Board of Education would set a stipend of \$25 per day for student teachers. At this daily rate, local school expenditures would increase by \$7.5 million in fiscal 2002. Assuming the number of student teachers is fairly stable, the estimated costs would remain relatively constant.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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