Department of Legislative Services

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FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1261

(Chairman, Ways and Means Committee) (Departmental – Children, Youth, and Families)

Environmental Matters

Office for Children, Youth, and Families - Codification of the Maryland School-Based Health Center Policy Advisory Council

This departmental bill codifies the existing 25-member Maryland School-Based Health Policy Advisory Council within the Office for Children, Youth, and Families (OCYF).

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill codifies an existing council.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: OCYF has determined that this bill has minimal or no impact on small business (attached). Legislative Services concurs with this assessment.

Analysis

Current Law: The 25-member Maryland School-Based Health Policy Advisory Council is not statutorily required. The council's purpose is to coordinate an interagency effort to develop, sustain, and promote quality school-based health centers.

Background: This advisory council has existed since 1996 when it began as a steering committee for a Robert Wood Johnson Making the Grade grant to support school-based health care. Among other things, the council has promoted school-based health centers that address the holistic health and educational needs of at-risk children.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: A similar bill, HB 650, was introduced in the 2001 session but was withdrawn.

Cross File: None.

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