Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly 2002 Session

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 1393 Judiciary (Delegate Gladden)

Judicial Proceedings

Family Law - Unlawful Marriages - Penalties

This bill repeals the penalty of permanent banishment from the State for the misdemeanor act of unlawful marriage to a grandparent, parent, child, sibling, or grandchild.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: This bill would not affect governmental operations or finances.

Local Effect: None -- see above.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: It is unlawful for a man to marry his grandmother, mother, daughter, sister, or granddaughter. It is unlawful for a woman to marry her grandfather, father, son, brother, or grandson. Upon a conviction for a violation of these provisions, a person is subject to a fine of \$1,500 or to permanent banishment from the State.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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