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FISCAL NOTE

Senate Bill 664 (Senator Exum)
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission - Conceptual Site
Plans - Substantial Changes**

This bill prohibits the District Council for Prince George's County from approving substantial changes to a conceptual site plan, unless first approved by the General Assembly, for a project that: (1) has more than 1,000 hotel rooms; (2) has more than 700,000 square feet of retail space; (3) is located along a major waterway or interstate highway; and (4) is part of the Prince George's County Master Plan.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. Requiring the General Assembly to approve substantial changes to conceptual site plans for projects under the purview of the Prince George's County District Council would not materially affect State finances.

Local Effect: Prince George's County finances would not be directly affected by being required to receive approval from the General Assembly for substantial changes to conceptual site plans.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: There is no provision of law that prohibits the District Council for Prince George's County from approving substantial changes to a conceptual site plan as described in this bill.

Background: The District Council for Prince George's County is the county council. The county council is charged with approving development plans and any changes to development plans.

Prince George's County advises that only one development project in the county, the National Harbor, fits the requirements of the bill.

Local Fiscal Effect: Prince George's County advises that requiring the General Assembly to approve substantial changes to conceptual site plans could cause delays in project development, but would not directly affect county finances.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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