

**Department of Legislative Services**  
Maryland General Assembly  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

House Joint Resolution 37 (Delegate Hurson)  
Environmental Matters

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**Medicare Coverage of Oral Cancer Drugs**

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This joint resolution urges Congress to adopt legislation requiring the Medicare program to cover all oral anticancer drugs.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** Compliance with this joint resolution would not directly affect State finances.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law:** The Medicare Program covers injectable drugs or oral drugs that have an injectable version.

**Background:** H.R. 1624 and S. 913 introduced in the 107<sup>th</sup> Congress would require the Medicare Program to cover all oral anticancer drugs.

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**Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** SJ 20 (Senator Hollinger) – Finance.

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