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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 261

(Senator Grosfeld, *et al.*)

Judicial Proceedings

Judiciary

Family Law - Family Home or Family Use Personal Property - Termination of
Order or Decree

This bill increases, from three to five years, the time period that a provision concerning the family home or family use personal property remains in effect after the date a court grants an annulment or a limited or absolute divorce. The five-year limitation applies to a limited divorce notwithstanding the subsequent granting of an absolute divorce.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill's requirements could be handled with existing resources.

Local Effect: None. The bill's requirements could be handled with existing resources.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: A provision regarding the family home or family use property must terminate no later than three years after the date a court grants an annulment or a limited or absolute divorce. The three-year limitation applies to limited divorces notwithstanding the subsequent granting of an absolute divorce.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: HB 325 (Delegate Dumais, *et al.*) – Judiciary.

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