

Department of Legislative Services  
Maryland General Assembly  
2006 Session

FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 1237

(Delegate Gaines, *et al.*)

Appropriations

Finance

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Department of Human Resources - Local Social Services Boards - Membership

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This bill authorizes a local department of social services board to have up to 13 members, as provided by local law and enacted by the local governing authority. Each board must have at least nine members, however. It repeals as duplicative the provisions in statute already allowing this for the local boards in Baltimore City and Frederick, Garrett, Harford, and Montgomery counties.

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Fiscal Summary

**State Effect:** The bill would not directly affect governmental operations or finances.

**Local Effect:** The bill would not directly affect governmental operations or finances.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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Analysis

**Current Law:** The local department of social services in each county must have a board. Except as provided in five specified jurisdictions, the local board must be composed of nine members. The local board in Baltimore City and Frederick, Garrett, Harford, and Montgomery counties must have at least 9 but no more than 13 members, as provided for in local law and enacted by the local governing authority.

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## **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

**Information Source(s):** Montgomery County, Harford County, Garrett County,  
Department of Human Resources, Department of Legislative Services

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