Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly 2008 Session

FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 1368 Judiciary

(Delegate King)

Task Force to Study the Feasibility of Establishing a Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial

This bill establishes a Task Force to Study the Feasibility of Establishing a Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial to identify and recommend funding, design, construction, and placement of an appropriate monument dedicated to fallen law enforcement officers who served in Maryland. The bill provides for the membership and duties of the task force and authorizes expense reimbursements for members.

The task force must report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2009. Staffing will be provided by the Department of Legislative Services.

The bill takes effect June 1, 2008 and terminates May 31, 2009.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Any expense reimbursements for task force members and staffing costs for the Department of Legislative Services are assumed to be minimal and absorbable within existing budgeted resources.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Background: According to the most recent Uniform Crime Report for Maryland (2006), there were three law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty in 2006: one from the Baltimore City Police Department, one from the Maryland Transportation Authority Police, and one from the Harford County Sheriff's Office.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

Information Source(s): Department of Legislative Services

Fiscal Note History: First Reader - March 17, 2008

mcp/hlb

Analysis by: Guy G. Cherry Direct Inquiries to:

(410) 946-5510 (301) 970-5510