Department of Legislative Services

Maryland General Assembly 2023 Session

FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE Third Reader

House Bill 124

(The Speaker, et al.)

Health and Government Operations

Education, Energy, and the Environment

Mandated Reports - Revisions

This bill repeals specified statutory reporting requirements that are obsolete, duplicative, or unnecessary. It also consolidates, reschedules, and clarifies specified reporting requirements for the purposes of efficiency and practicality and makes technical and stylistic changes. **The bill takes effect June 1, 2023.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill is procedural in nature and has no direct effect on State finances. Some agencies may experience operational efficiencies as a result of the repeal, rescheduling, or consolidation of existing reporting requirements.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law/Background: State law requires State agencies and other statutory entities to report to the General Assembly on specified activities, services, and trends. Chapter 58 of 2015 mandated the Department of Legislative Services (DLS), in consultation with State agencies, to periodically review and make recommendations regarding specified reports that may no longer be warranted.

During the 2022 interim, DLS conducted a review of the mandated reports in State law to identify requirements that have become obsolete, duplicative, impractical, inefficient, or otherwise unnecessary. This bill is a direct result of that effort.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: Similar legislation has not been introduced within the last three years.

Designated Cross File: SB 131 (The President) - Education, Energy, and the Environment.

Information Source(s): Department of Legislative Services

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