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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE
First Reader

House Bill 1129 (Delegate D. Jones, *et al.*)
Health and Government Operations

Constitutional Officers - Gender-Neutral Language

This proposed constitutional amendment (1) alters terminology in the Maryland Constitution so that references to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Comptroller, Treasurer, and Adjutant General are gender neutral and (2) makes conforming changes.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill is technical in nature and has no effect on governmental operations or finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Generally, the Maryland Constitution refers to constitutional officers exclusively as males.

Additional Information

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

Designated Cross File: SB 733 (Senator King) - Education, Energy, and the Environment.

Information Source(s): Maryland State Board of Elections; Department of Legislative Services

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