



HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

Office of the County Auditor

FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

Bill Number:

20-005, As Amended

Claim Settlements

Sponsor:

Council Member Wagner

Estimated Fiscal Impact:

None

Summary of Legislation

AN ACT to repeal and reenact, with amendments, Section 123-41.1, Self-insurance settlements, of Article I, General Provisions, of Chapter 123, Finance and Taxation, of the Harford County Code, as amended; to amend the name of the title; to provide that all settlements for a tort or liability claim above \$100,000 be reviewed and approved by the County Executive and County Council; and generally relating to settlements of claims.

The bill will take effect 60 days after it is adopted.

Fiscal Analysis

Currently, the County code requires liability settlements from the County's self-insurance fund to be approved by the County Council if they are over \$100,000.

This bill, if adopted, would require Council approval of those payments from any fund. Additionally, it specifies that the requirement applies to settlements of tort or liability claims.

Amendments to the bill require the County Attorney to provide lawsuit details to the Council every 6 months, for pending claims of at least \$100,000.

There is no fiscal impact to this legislation.

Additional Information:

Version: 02

based on bill as amended
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