

FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

Legislation No: O-38-16

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Legislation Title: Forest Conservation Reforestation

Description: For the purpose of prohibiting certain development projects from cutting or clearing certain forests within the City of Annapolis unless the applicant offsets that loss with newly planted acreage; and providing for an appeal process.

Analysis of Fiscal Impact: This legislation requires an applicant to fully offset the removal of forest acreage with newly planted acreage in an attempt to create a “no net loss” (NNL) of forest acreage. Any fines and/or fees relating to the removal or planting of forest acreage will be applicable; however, it is unclear at this time what the resulting fiscal impact would be.