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**HB16-1055**

**FISCAL NOTE**

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**  State  Local  Statutory Public Entity  Conditional  No Fiscal Impact

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**Prime Sponsor(s):** Rep. Coram

**Bill Status:** House SVMA

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**BILL TOPIC:** NO STATE PREREQUISITES TO SUE US FEDERAL TORTS

**Summary of Legislation**

This bill clarifies that there are no prerequisites in state law, other than those applicable to a tort committed by a party other than the United States, to sue the United States under the Federal Tort Claims Act.

**Background**

The Federal Tort Claims Act provides remedies for individuals who are injured or whose property is damaged by the wrongful or negligent act of a federal employee acting in the scope of his or her official duties.

**Assessment**

Because this bill clarifies current law, does not direct any state agency to take action, and does not require that the state sue the United States, this bill is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

**Effective Date**

The bill takes effect August 10, 2016, if the General Assembly adjourns on May 11, 2016, as scheduled, and no referendum petition is filed.

**State and Local Government Contacts**

Judicial Civil

Law

Natural Resources

Office of Information Technology

Public Health & Environment

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