

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1343

PRINTERS NO. 3828

PRIME SPONSOR: Baker

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2011/12	FY 2012/13
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: House Bill 1343 is a stand-alone act to be cited as the Commonwealth Higher Education Modernization Act. It would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation adds provisions and makes repeals to laws impacting the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE). It contains a chapter concerning relations with private affiliated entities, further defining the relationship between State System universities and these entities, which are usually the university foundations. A second chapter concerns doctoral degrees and permits universities besides the Indiana University of Pennsylvania, to offer applied doctorates. This would not apply to Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degrees. A final section repeals some conflicting, inconsistent and outdated statutes related to PASSHE.

FISCAL IMPACT: Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds.

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House Appropriations Committee (R)

DATE: June 27, 2012

Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.