



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 798

PRINTERS NO. 3105

PRIME SPONSOR: Heffley

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2013/14	FY 2014/15
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Fish Fund	\$0	\$0
Boat Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: Amends Title 30 (Fish and Boat Code) to reduce the length of terms of service for members of the PA Fish and Boat Commission's Board of Commissioners from eight years to four years.

ANALYSIS: HB 798 will amend Section 301 (relating to Organization of the commission) (a) (relating to composition) to reduce the length of a term of service of a member of the Fish and Boat Commission's Board of Commissioners from eight years down to four years, with appointment by the Governor and consent of the majority of the Senate.

The bill also amends subsection (c) (relating to Terms of office and compensation) to reduce the term of service from eight years to four years, and allow for additional consecutive terms by removing all current language that provides for non-consecutive additional terms following a period of specified non-service. The bill limits service to no more than three consecutive four-year terms, and allows for six months of additional service at the end of a term when a successor has not been appointed and qualified.

The bill also provides that the change in law only applies to members of the commission's board who are appointed on or after the effective date of the legislation, and that members who serve a full eight-year term or fill a vacancy of more than four years are eligible for reappointment at any time

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

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House Appropriations Committee (R)

DATE: March 11, 2014

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