



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1529

PRINTERS NO. 2039

PRIME SPONSOR: Harper

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2013/14	FY 2014/15
County Funds	See "Fiscal Impact"	See "Fiscal Impact"
Second Class Township Funds	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: Amends the Second Class Township Code to allow for the electronic filing of enacted ordinances and authorizes the county to set up electronic storage of filed ordinances. This legislation would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation allows Second Class Townships to file their completed ordinances with the county by submission of an electronic copy, through a method left to the discretion of the county. The county can then store the ordinance electronically as long as the public has access to the filed ordinances during normal business hours at the county office or at a remote location. The township shall keep a printed copy of the e-mail and ordinance that was transmitted to the county.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation would have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth or second class township funds. Counties may realize some initial startup costs to implement a database for the electronic records and to enable the public access to these records. It is probable that a portion of these "one time" costs could be offset each year as the counties will not have to provide storage space nor provide the personnel to file paper copies of ordinances.

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