



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 321

PRINTERS NO. 1404

PRIME SPONSOR: Klunk

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2018/19	FY 2019/20
General Fund	See Fiscal Impact	

SUMMARY:

House Bill 321, Printer's Number 1404 amends Chapter 32 (Abortion), Sections 3203 (Definitions) and 3204 (c) (Medical consultation and judgement- Factors) of Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) to further provide for the prohibition of abortions under certain circumstances.

ANALYSIS:

HB 321 amends the Abortion Control Act of the Crimes Code, to further provide for the definition of "Down syndrome." In addition, the legislation adds a prohibition on an abortion being deemed medically necessary based on a prenatal diagnosis of Down syndrome.

This act will take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of this legislation would have an unknown fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. Insufficient data makes it difficult to accurately determine how many individuals would be charged, convicted and sentenced with a violation of Section 3204 (Medical consultation and judgement). According to the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing, no individuals have been convicted of violating the Abortion Control Act (Title 18, Chapter 32) in 2015, 2016 and 2017.

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