



# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

## FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 991

PRINTERS NO. 1122

PRIME SPONSOR: Thomas

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2018/19	FY 2019/20
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Public School Employees' Retirement Fund	\$0	\$0
State Employees' Retirement Fund	\$0	\$0

#### SUMMARY:

House Bill 991, printer's number 1122, amends the act of July 8, 1978 (P.L. 752, No. 140), known as the Public Employee Pension Forfeiture Act, to further provide for definitions.

The effective date is immediately after enactment.

#### ANALYSIS:

The bill amends the definition of "crimes related to public office or public employment" to provide that public pension benefit forfeiture shall occur when any public official or employee is found guilty of committing a sexual offense as set forth in Subchapter B of Chapter 31 of Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses). The current definition is limited to criminal sexual offenses committed by a school employee against a student.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

The enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds. The Independent Fiscal Office issued a letter on the actuarial cost impact of the legislation and reported the legislation would have a de minimis impact on the State Employees' Retirement Fund and the Public School Employees' Retirement Fund since the pension forfeiture provisions would apply prospectively to a limited number of individuals.

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