



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 954

PRINTERS NO. 1323

PRIME SPONSOR: Stephens

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2020/21	FY 2021/22
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

House Bill 954 amends the Crimes Code and the Domestic Relations Code concerning child abuse investigations. It would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS:

House Bill 954 amends the Crimes Code to allow a criminal justice agency to disseminate information relating to an allegation or instance of child abuse to a county agency or the Department of Human Services for the purpose of investigating the allegation or instance of abuse or to a children's advocacy center for the purpose of providing services to investigating agencies. Such information may also be shared with a multidisciplinary review team, a multidisciplinary investigative team, and a child fatality or near-fatality review team.

Anyone who receives law enforcement information and shares it with an unauthorized person or entity is subject to penalties and liability as provided in sections 9181 and 9183 of the Crimes Code.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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

PREPARED BY: Jeff Miller
House Appropriations Committee (R)

DATE: April 21, 2021

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