

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1451

PRINTERS NO. 1583

PRIME SPONSOR: Wheeland

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23
General Fund	See Fiscal Impact	See Fiscal Impact

SUMMARY: House Bill 1451, printer's number 1583, amends the Emergency and Law Enforcement Personnel Death Benefits Act (Act 101 of 1976), adding provisions relating to the payment of death benefits for coroners.

ANALYSIS: This legislation allows for the payment of death benefits to families of coroners that die in the line of duty per Act 101 of 1976. A state death benefit of \$100,000, as annually adjusted for inflation using the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, is provided under current law to the families of a deceased individual covered by the act. A coroner shall be deemed to be acting in the performance of their duties in accordance with Article XII-B of The County Code.

This legislation shall take effect in 60 days upon enactment.

FISCAL IMPACT: The current state death benefit under Act 101 is \$164,100.03, as adjusted annually for inflation. Such an amount would be paid in the event a coroner dies in the line of duty. It is estimated that enactment of this bill would have a de minimis impact on Commonwealth funds.

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DATE: October 27, 2021

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