



# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

## FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1591

PRINTERS NO. 2139

PRIME SPONSOR: Knowles

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23
County Funds	\$0	\$0

**SUMMARY:** Will cause every county to maintain its current classification regardless of population changes reflected in the 2020 census unless a county specifically chooses to change its classification. This legislation would take effect September 30, 2021, or immediately, whichever is later.

**ANALYSIS:** The provisions of this legislation would suspend provisions of the County Code that will cause a county to increase or decrease in class as a result of population changes reflected in the 2020 census until the 2030 census. After the 2030 census, a county may advance in classification based on its population in 2030 or decrease in classification if its population declined below the population threshold of its current class in both the 2020 census and the 2030 census.

Under this legislation, a county may choose to advance in classification or decrease in classification if it meets the population thresholds that will otherwise apply and the Commissioners of the county enact an ordinance or resolution evidencing the County's intent to do so by February 22, 2022.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This legislation would have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth or county funds.

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**DATE:** September 29, 2021

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