



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1617

PRINTER'S NO. 1901

PRIME SPONSOR: Briggs

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Access to Justice Account	\$0	\$1.6 Million

SUMMARY:

Expands the \$2 surcharge, deposited into the Access to Justice Account, to include traffic citations.

ANALYSIS:

House Bill 1617 amends Title 42 Section 3733.1 to remove the exception to the \$2 fee for convictions or guilty pleas for traffic citations (75 Pa.C.S.) that are classified as a summary offense. Fees collected under this section are deposited into the Access to Justice Account.

This legislation would take effect in 60 days upon enactment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts estimates that an additional \$1.6 million will be collected annually as a result of the removal of this exception. Fees collected under this section are deposited in the Access to Justice Account for civil legal aid.

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

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