

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 447

PRINTER'S NO. 1799

PRIME SPONSOR: Mastriano

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

This legislation establishes in statute the PA VETConnect Program.

ANALYSIS:

Senate Bill 447 establishes the PA VETConnect Program within the Department of Military and Veteran Affairs. The purpose of the program is to improve the health and well-being of veterans and the families of veterans through referrals, community engagement, and consistent network communication.

The duties of the department, as stipulated by the legislation, include coordinating with other agencies that provide programs, initiatives, reintegration outreach, and related services to veterans and families of veterans, providing information to recently separated service members, providing information to individuals or groups that support veterans, coordinating with counties, and coordinating with veterans' service officers.

This legislation would take effect in 60 days upon enactment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of this legislation will have no impact on Commonwealth funds. The Department of Military and Veteran Affairs currently runs the PA VETConnect program and the requirements of the legislation do not provide for any additional any substantive duties for the department.

The current PA VETConnect Program is funded through the department's General Government Operations appropriation.

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