

# SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

**BILL NO.** Senate Bill 730

**PRINTER'S NO.** 1822

**AMOUNT**

No Fiscal Impact

**FUND**

General Fund

**DATE INTRODUCED**

March, 2, 2011

**PRIME SPONSOR**

Senator Gordner

**HISTORY OF BILL**

Referred to LOCAL GOVERNMENT, March 2, 2011

Reported as committed, May 10, 2011

First consideration, May 10, 2011

Re-referred to APPROPRIATIONS, June 6, 2011

Re-reported as amended, Dec. 5, 2011

**DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF BILL**

Senate Bill 730 amends The Second Class Township Code (Act 69 of 1933) to provide that a township may transfer real or personal property to a council of government, consortium, cooperative or other similar entity created pursuant to 53 Pa.C.S. Ch. 23 Subch. A (relating to intergovernmental cooperation) without having to follow the formal competitive bidding process.

The legislation also provides that a township may enter into contracts with a council of government, consortium, cooperative or other similar entity without complying with requirements for advertising, bidding or price quotations, with regard to contracts for insurance policies; surety company bonds; public utility service; and electricity, natural gas or telecommunications service.

The act takes effect in 60 days.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse fiscal impact to the Commonwealth.

Second class townships will realize the potential for reduced costs through intergovernmental cooperation.