



# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

2009-10 Legislative Session

## FISCAL NOTE

**HOUSE BILL:** 816

**PRINTER'S NO:** 2639

**PRIME SPONSOR:** Pashinski

As amended by A05809

<b>FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY</b>	<b>FY 2009/10</b>	<b>FY 2010/11</b>
<b>Expenditure Increase/(Decrease):</b>		
General Fund	\$0	\$0

### OVERVIEW:

House Bill 816, as amended by amendment A05809, would create a Heart Disease and Stroke Program within the Department of Health. The legislation establishes a Heart Disease and Stroke Advisory Committee and outlines its scope and composition. Members of the committee who are not state government employees would be eligible for reimbursement of travel and other actual expenses reasonably incurred in performance of their duties. The committee would meet no less than twice annually.

The legislation also outlines duties of the Department of Health to ensure quality improvement in stroke care. Section 6 outlines stipulations for awarding grants to public and nonprofit private entities, should funds be available for the purposes set forth in the act.

The act shall take effect at the time funds are appropriated to administer the act.

### ANALYSIS:

As amended, House Bill 816 specifies that the provisions will not take effect until sufficient funds are appropriated to administer the act. Therefore, there is no cost to the commonwealth in the current fiscal year (2009/10). The Governor's proposed budget for 2010/11 does not include funding for this act.

The Department of Health estimates total estimated implementation costs would be \$361,000. This includes costs associated with four additional staff (\$306,000) and information technology system changes (\$50,000). Additionally, the department estimates a total of \$5,000 will be needed for travel for Advisory Board members. Any remaining balance appropriated would then be available for education and prevention initiatives and grants.

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