



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

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FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL: 961

PRINTER'S NO: 1099

PRIME SPONSOR: Buxton

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY	FY 2008/09	FY 2009/10
Expenditure Increase/(Decrease):		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Recycling Fund	\$0	\$0
Revenue Increase/(Decrease):		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Recycling Fund	See Analysis	See Analysis

OVERVIEW:

House Bill 961 amends the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act (Act 101 of 1988) providing for an extension of the current sunset date for recycling fees.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS:

This bill extends the current sunset date on the \$2 per ton recycling fee from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2015. The \$2 per ton recycling fee applies to all solid waste processed at resource recovery facilities and for all solid waste that is disposed at a municipal waste landfill, except process residue and nonprocessable waste from a resource recovery facility.

According to Pennsylvania's Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), extension of the sunset for the recycling fee will enable the department to continue those recycling grant programs that would have been terminated this year and programs that would have been significantly scaled back or eliminated in 2010.

The recycling fee has generated \$214.2 million in revenue from 2004 through 2008. Total revenue generated from the recycling fee for 2008 was \$38,116,061.

Year	Quarter	Recycling Fee Revenue
2008	1	\$9,042,572
2008	2	\$10,229,022
2008	3	\$9,872,617
2008	4	\$8,971,850
	Total	\$38,116,061

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