



## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

# FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 14

PRINTERS NO. 162

PRIME SPONSOR: Marshall

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2014/15	FY 2015/16
General Fund	\$0	\$0

### SUMMARY:

House Bill 14, printer's number 162, amends the act of July 10, 1968 (P.L. 316, No. 154), known as the Legislative Code of Ethics, to further provide for definitions, for prohibitions and for civil remedies. The effective date is 60 days after enactment.

### ANALYSIS:

The bill amends Section 3 of the Legislative Code of Ethics to add definitions for Ethics Committee and Legislative Nonprofit Organization. A legislative nonprofit organization is a nonprofit corporation or other entity whose primary purpose is to receive funds under the General Appropriations Act or another appropriations act at the discretion or by reason of the influence of a member for the use at the direction or discretion of the member.

Section 5 of the Legislative Code of Ethics is amended to add a subsection to prohibit members and employees of the General Assembly from creating or maintaining a legislative nonprofit organization.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds.

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**DATE:** February 23, 2015

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