

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1280

PRINTERS NO. 4080

PRIME SPONSOR: Farry

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2016/17	FY 2017/18
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: House Bill 1280, Printer's Number 4080, amends the Tax Reform Code of 1971 (TRC) further providing for a new Article XXIX-H.

ANALYSIS: The legislation amends the Tax Reform Code of 1971 by adding a new Article XXIX-H that prohibits the imposition of a recyclable plastic bag ban, fee, surcharge or tax on plastic bags when used at the point of sale at retail of a good purchased for personal consumption or household use by a consumer. The term "recyclable plastic bag" does not include a reusable bag or pouch that is specifically designed for multiple uses and is made of cloth, fabric or durable plastic.

FISCAL IMPACT: Pennsylvania does not currently impose a fee or surcharge for recyclable plastic bags used by a retailer at the point of sale, therefore enactment of this legislation will have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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House Appropriations Committee (R)

DATE: October 21, 2016

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