

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1984

PRINTERS NO. 2717

PRIME SPONSOR: Fee

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: House Bill 1984, Printer's Number 2717, amends the Agricultural Area Security Law (Act 43 of 1981) to provide for subdivisions of land after easement purchase.

ANALYSIS: This bill amends the Agricultural Area Security Law (Act 43 of 1981) under Section 14.1 to provide for subdivisions of land after easement purchase. A county program shall provide for a subdivision under certain conditions including:

- A) the tract to be created by subdivision is less than ten acres;
- B) the tract created is conveyed or transferred to the owner of a contiguous tract of land subject to an agricultural conservation easement;
- C) deeds of merger are prepared and filed with the recorder of deeds to add the tract created as a fee simple interest to the parcel and to the deed of easement of the new owner; and
- D) the tract remaining meets the minimum criteria under the act or regulations.

It also states that subdivisions shall not be subject to roll-back taxes under the Pennsylvania Farmland and Forest Land Assessment Act of 1974.

This legislation would take effect 30 days after enactment.

FISCAL IMPACT: Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds.

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House Appropriations Committee (R)

DATE: April 11, 2022

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