

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1869

PRINTER'S NO. 2727

PRIME SPONSOR: Venkat

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: HB 1869 PN 2727 requires the owner of a retail food facility to comply with provisions providing for food allergy awareness. This legislation would take effect in sixty (60) days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation amends Title 3 (Agriculture) Chapter 57 (Food Protection) and inserts language into Section 5705 relating to Food Allergy Awareness. Language stipulates for Department of Agriculture to require each proprietor of a retail food facility to comply with the following:

- Display a poster in the employee area that provides information for employees on food allergy awareness
- Include on a food menu or through other written means, a notice to a customer of food allergens used and a request for the customer to inform the employee serving the customer about the customer's food allergy

The department shall further require posters include language which provides a description of major food allergens and symptoms of an allergic reaction, and any other requirements included in the Food Code published by FDA.

FISCAL IMPACT: The enactment of this legislation would have a de minimis fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. The cost to retail food facilities is also expected to be de minimis, as the requirements for posting information at the facility and to train employees should be absorbed as part of existing posting and training requirements.

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