



# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

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## FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL: 464 PRINTER'S NO: 3559 PRIME SPONSOR: White

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY	FY 2009/10	FY 2010/11
<b>Expenditure Increase/(Decrease):</b>		
General Fund	\$0	\$0

### OVERVIEW:

House Bill 464 further provides for ticket sales that occur over the internet by prohibiting the use of ticket purchasing software.

This act takes effect immediately.

### ANALYSIS:

House Bill 464 prohibits the use of ticket purchasing software to acquire tickets from a ticket seller if the tickets would not have been acquired but for the use of the ticket purchasing software.

A person who violates this section commits a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to a fine of \$5,000. For the purposes of assessing the fine, each ticket acquired through the use of ticket purchasing software constitutes a separate incident.

While this legislation creates a new offense, the penalty is an ungraded misdemeanor will not create a burden on state correctional institutions or county jails. The number of individuals who may incur fines for using ticket purchasing software to illegally obtain tickets to events is not quantifiable. A large number of offenses in combination with the acquisition of multiple tickets (each illegal ticket acquisition a separate offense) may result in revenue, in the form of fines, for the Commonwealth. The enactment of House Bill 464 is not expected to have a negative fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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