



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

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FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL: 1953

PRINTER'S NO: 2618

PRIME SPONSOR: Cohen

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY	FY 2009/10	FY 2010/11
Expenditure Increase/(Decrease):		
Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Trust Fund	See Analysis	See Analysis

OVERVIEW:

House Bill 1953 amends Title 20, further providing for the membership of the advisory committee of The Governor Robert P. Casey Memorial Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Trust Fund. The bill adds one representative of a federally-qualified community health center and one representative of the Department of Transportation (PennDOT) to the advisory committee.

Under current law, the Department of Health shall reimburse members of the advisory committee for all necessary and reasonable travel and other expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. Costs for reimbursement are paid through the Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Trust Fund.

The act takes effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS:

According to the Department of Health, the 2008/09 reimbursement costs related to the advisory committee were approximately \$2,000. These costs represent room rental, food and travel expenses for members. Please note that not all members request reimbursement for every meeting. In addition, travel reimbursement for members is contingent upon who is in attendance and the meeting location. The addition of members to the committee may affect reimbursement costs. A specific fiscal impact to the Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Trust Fund cannot be determined, due to the aforementioned variables.

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