



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

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FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL: 2194

PRINTER'S NO: 3060

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FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY	FY 2010/11	FY 2011/12
Increase/(Decrease):		
General Fund	\$ 0	\$ 0

OVERVIEW:

House Bill 2194 amends Title 51 (Military Affairs) to authorize the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA) to arrange for burial details for veterans at the at the Washington Crossing National Cemetery, which is located in Bucks County, north of the city of Philadelphia, about three miles northwest of Interstate 95, and less than three miles from Washington Crossing Historic Park. The DMVA currently can only reimburse burials details at the Indiantown Gap National Cemetery (Central PA) and the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies (Western PA).

This bill will take effect in 60 days after enactment.

ANALYSIS:

There is no increase in the State appropriation of funds for this legislation. The current State general fund appropriation for burial details is \$76,000. This legislation simply amends Title 51, Section 705, to add the Washington Crossing National Cemetery and gives DMVA the authority relative to being allowed to pay for subject veteran burial details.

Currently, DMVA contracts with Pa War Veterans Council for this service at the Fort Indiantown Gap National Cemetery and National Cemetery of the Alleghenies. The Honor Guard burial details are paid \$150 per day or \$750 per week for their services. DMVA contracts with veterans' service organizations to perform these duties. This bill will allow their activities at three sites to be reimbursed and contracted services are limited to available funds.

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