



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
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FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL: 488

PRINTER'S NO: 1269

PRIME SPONSOR: Rafferty

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

OVERVIEW:

Senate Bill 488 amends section 6308 (purchase, consumption, possession or transportation of liquor or malt or brewed beverages) of Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses). This bill provides that a person shall be immune from prosecution for underage drinking if the person is able to establish the following:

1. The only way law enforcement officers became aware of the person's violation of underage drinking law is because the person called 911 or called campus safety, police, or emergency services, in good faith, based on a reasonable belief and reported that another person was in need of immediate medical attention to prevent death or serious injury.
2. The person reasonably believed he was the first person to call 911 or campus safety, police, or emergency services and report that a person needed immediate medical attention to prevent death or serious injury.
3. The person provided his own name to the 911 operator or equivalent campus safety, police, or emergency officer.
4. The person remained with the person needing medical assistance until emergency health care providers arrived and the need for his presence had ended.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS:

The enactment of Senate Bill 488 is not expected to have a negative fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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