



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1450

PRINTERS NO. 1740

PRIME SPONSOR: Ross

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2010/11	FY 2011/12
3 rd Class City Funds	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: Amends the Third Class City Code to establish the office of city administrator or manager; and to provide for the powers and duties of an administrator/ manager. This legislation would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation adds Section 1201-A to the Third Class City Code which would allow a third class city to appoint a city administrator or manager. That individual would serve at the pleasure of city council, subject to contractual rights. The contract may terminate no later than two years after the effective date of the agreement or the date of the organization meeting of council following the next municipal election, whichever occurs first.

The employment agreement shall not guarantee employment through the term of the contract or confer upon the manager any legal remedy based on specific performance. The appointed administrator or manager does not need to be a resident of the city provided he/ she has permission from the council to reside outside the city.

The powers and duties of the manager shall be set by ordinance. The council may also delegate certain non-legislative, non-judicial duties of the council to the manager, including but not limited to: negotiating contracts for the city subject to the approval of council; attending all meetings of the city council with the right to speak but not vote; and investigating the affairs of any officer or department of the city under the administrator's or manager's jurisdiction.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation would have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds. This legislation would have no adverse impact on third class city funds as any agreement would be voluntary.

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DATE: June 10, 2011

Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.