



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1546

PRINTERS NO. 3167

PRIME SPONSOR: Toohil

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2011/12	FY 2012/13
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

House Bill 1546, printer's number 3167, amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) to further provide for powers and duties of the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission. The effective date is 60 days after enactment.

ANALYSIS:

The bill amends Section 6373 (4) of Title 42 to modify the duties of the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission (JCJC). The bill eliminates the current requirement for the JCJC to compile and publish statistical data on the administration of the juvenile courts and replaces it with the requirement to analyze data collected by JCJC to determine the effectiveness of programs and practices to ensure efficient administration of the juvenile justice system. The bill specifies that the JCJC is to make recommendations concerning evidence-based programs and practices to judges, the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts and other appropriate entities and to post the information on JCJC's publicly accessible Internet website.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The enactment of this bill will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds. According to the JCJC, the costs for complying with the new responsibility to analyze data and post it to the JCJC's website will be offset by the elimination of current responsibilities to compile and publish data.

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