



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 2400

PRINTERS NO. 4083

PRIME SPONSOR: Marsico

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2012/13	FY 2013/14
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: House Bill 2400 amends the Crimes Code concerning wiretaps. It would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation makes numerous changes to the Crimes Code chapter concerning wiretapping and electronic surveillance. In general, these changes are designed to bring the chapter up-to-date with current technology. The impacted areas are:

- Definitions;
- Exceptions to prohibitions on the interception and disclosure of communications;
- Possession of a device that can intercept electronic communications;
- Issuance of court orders for interception of electronic communications;
- Target specific orders;
- Emergency hostage and barricade situations;
- Investigative and evidentiary disclosure;
- Mobile tracking devices;
- Mobile communications tracking information; and
- Application/issuance of orders.

FISCAL IMPACT: Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds.

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DATE: October 17, 2012

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