



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 2530

PRINTERS NO. 4056

PRIME SPONSOR: Tallman

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2012/13	FY 2013/14
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Municipal Funds	See Fiscal Impact	See Fiscal Impact

SUMMARY: Amends the PA Construction Code Act to ensure that individual municipalities enforcing the Uniform Construction Code (UCC) can enter into agreements to designate, or create, a joint UCC board of appeals with another municipality, or municipalities. This legislation would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation would amend Subsection 501(c) of the PA Construction Code Act to state that a municipality which has opted to enforce the UCC may establish a board of appeal, or designate/establish a joint board of appeals with another municipality (or municipalities) in accordance with Title 53 PA.C.S. Ch. 23 Subch. A (relating to intergovernmental cooperation).

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation would have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth or municipal funds. However, this legislation would prohibit municipalities from having to incur new administrative costs in that they would not be forced to create their own boards of appeal because of the Commonwealth Court decision in *Middletown Township v. County of Delaware Uniform Construction Code Board of Appeal*. On April 20, 2012, the Court issued a decision which stated that individual municipalities enforcing the UCC (and which is not part of a joint administrative agreement) had to establish their own board of appeals, and could not designate another municipality's board, or joint board, as their appeal board.

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