



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 263

PRINTERS NO. 240

PRIME SPONSOR: Erickson

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2010/11	FY 2011/12
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: Requires the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (IRRC) to consider whether a regulation is based on and supported by empirical, replicable and testable data. This legislation would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation would amend the Regulatory Review Act to:

- Require an agency promulgating a regulation to identify and describe any data upon which the regulation is based and provide an explanation of how the data was obtained and why the data is “acceptable data.”
- Define “acceptable data” as empirical, replicable and testable data, as evidenced in supporting documentation, statistics, reports, studies or research.
- Require the IRRC to include in its consideration of the clarity, feasibility and reasonableness of a regulation whether acceptable data is the basis of the regulation.
- Require the IRRC to consider whether a regulation is supported by acceptable data.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation would have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds.

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