



## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

# FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 292

PRINTERS NO. 1594

PRIME SPONSOR: Eichelberger

### COST / (SAVINGS)

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

**SUMMARY:** Senate Bill 292, Printer's Number 1594, amends the Flood Control Law to increase non-bid contract maximums and to provide for the annual indexing and adjusting of these figures. This legislation would take effect immediately.

**ANALYSIS:** This bill would amend the Flood Control Law, Act 46 of 1936, to increase the dollar amount requiring full advertising and bidding of contracts from \$4,000 to \$18,500 for flood control projects.

It also authorizes the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry to determine if there is a positive percentage change in the All Items Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the twelve-month period ending September 30, 2012, and for each successive twelve-month period thereafter, and make requisite adjusted amounts that shall be rounded to the nearest one hundred dollars. An annual determination and calculation of adjustments shall be made between October 1 and November 15 of the year. It also states that the annual increase in the preliminary adjusted base amounts shall not exceed three percent.

The final adjusted base amounts shall become effective January 1 for the calendar year following the year in which the determination is made. The department is then required to publish notice of these changes in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* prior to January 1.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Enactment of this legislation will 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.*