



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 916

PRINTERS NO. 949

PRIME SPONSOR: McIlhinney

COST / (SAVINGS)

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

SUMMARY: Amends the Election Code to establish voting standards for all elections held in the Commonwealth during 2011 and 2012. This legislation would take effect immediately.

ANALYSIS: This legislation amends the Election Code (Act 320 of 1937) to apply voting standards developed by the Voting Standards Development Board, and published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin (Volume 33, Number 31 on August 2, 2003), to all elections in 2011 and 2012.

These voting standards will be published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin and will provide direction to election officials as to which votes are valid and which votes are invalid. For paper ballots or optical scan voting systems, for example, a vote is valid or invalid based on the type of mark made by the voter.

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

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