



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 845

PRINTERS NO. 3124

PRIME SPONSOR: Boback

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2013/14	FY 2014/15
Motor License Fund	See "Fiscal Impact"	See "Fiscal Impact"
Bullying Awareness and Prevention Fund	See "Fiscal Impact"	See "Fiscal Impact"

SUMMARY: Amends the Vehicle Code to establish a "Bullying Awareness & Prevention" registration plate. This legislation would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation adds a new Section 1358.1 to Title 75 (Vehicle Code) to create a "Bullying Awareness & Prevention" registration plate for a passenger car or truck with a registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 pounds or a motor home.

Section 1905 of Title 75 is also amended to establish a "Bullying Awareness & Prevention Fund" as a special account in the state Treasury, from which monies shall be annually appropriated to the Office of Safe Schools within the Department of Education. The \$35 fee for the new plate is to be split, with \$15 deposited into the new Fund and the remainder distributed to the Motor License Fund.

FISCAL IMPACT: According to PennDOT, the total cost to create this special fund plate would be \$18,500. Of that total, design costs will be approximately \$500 and the costs to change their IT system are estimated to be approximately \$18,000. Each plate would cost \$4 to produce. There would be minimal costs for creating new forms and all costs could be covered within PennDOT's base budget.

Utilizing statistics provided by PennDOT, average revenue from special fund plate sales was \$23,120 in Fiscal Year 2012-13 with average sales of 1,156 special fund plates. Sales at this level would offset the entire start-up costs for the new plate. Considering the \$4 cost to produce each plate, the breakeven point for the Motor License Fund would be 1,157 plates. Using the averages, the sale of 1,156 plates would generate \$17,340 for the Bullying Awareness and Prevention Fund.

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