



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 927

PRINTERS NO. 2100

PRIME SPONSOR: Sankey

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2013/14	FY 2014/15
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: Reenacts and amends the Community Services Block Grant Act of 2002 to extend the expiration of the act and make editorial changes. This legislation shall take effect immediately and shall be retroactive to December 31, 2011.

ANALYSIS: This legislation reenacts the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Act of 2002. Administered by the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED), the CSBG Act provides federal funding for community programs that offer health, nutrition, housing, and employment related services to ameliorate the causes and effect of poverty. In accordance with the Act, no more than 5% is allotted to DCED for administration, 90% is distributed to Community Action Agencies (CAAs) and the remaining 5% is utilized for competitive projects.

Section 13 of the bill, relating to expiration of the program, sets a new sunset date of December 31, 2017.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation would have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. The proposed 2014-15 budget anticipates the receipt of \$29.5 million in federal funds for the CSBG program. The amendment to Section 6(a)(5), providing for an increase in the minimum funding level from \$150,000 to \$250,000, is not expected to adversely impact community action agencies. The average community action agency CSBG formula grant was \$730,687 in state Fiscal Year 2012-13.

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