



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1750

PRINTERS NO. 2650

PRIME SPONSOR: Maher

COST / (SAVINGS)

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

SUMMARY: House Bill 1750, Printer's Number 2650, prohibits certain cruelty to animal activities related to dogs and cats and provides penalties.

ANALYSIS: This legislation amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes by adding new language under Section 5511 prohibiting the following activities related to dogs and cats: killing a dog or cat for the purpose of human consumption; processing dog or cat meat for the purpose of human consumption; breeding, keeping, selling, offering for sale or transferring a dog or cat for the purpose of human consumption; and offering dog or cat meat for human consumption.

A person who is in violation of this section will commit a misdemeanor of the first degree and shall, upon conviction, receive a fine of \$1,000 or up to \$10,000, imprisonment of up to five years or both. A subsequent violation of this section shall result in a felony of the third degree and shall, upon conviction, receive a fine of \$2,500 or up to \$15,000, imprisonment up to seven years or both. The bill also further defines the term for prior offense related to this section.

The effective date of this legislation is 60 days after enactment.

FISCAL IMPACT: Enactment of this bill will have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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DATE: November 18, 2013

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