



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 2092

PRINTERS NO. 4273

PRIME SPONSOR: M. K. Keller

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2014/15	FY 2015/16
Motor License Fund	\$0	Minimal
Municipal Funds	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: Amends Title 75 (Vehicle Code) by updating the commercial driver's license (CDL) exemption for certain farm vehicles, in order to comport with federal law and to allow for third-party testing for driver's licenses. This legislation would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation amends 75 Section 1606 (relating to requirement for commercial driver's license) to allow a licensed driver to operate a Pennsylvania covered farm vehicle without CDL requirement anywhere within the Commonwealth. The legislation also would permit a licensed driver to operate a covered farm vehicle from another state within 150 air miles of the out-of-State farm. The legislation defines "Air-mile" as a nautical mile, which is equivalent to 6,076 feet. For purposes of this title, 150 air-miles are equivalent to 172.6 miles.

This legislation amends 75 Section 1508 to allow PennDOT to authorize a third party to administer the diving portion of the driver's license examination. The actual driver's license will still be issued through PennDOT.

Third-party providers shall only administer exams required in this section if:

- The test is the same test as that which would otherwise be administered by PennDOT; and
- The third party has entered into an agreement with PennDOT which PennDOT has not terminated.

No layoffs shall occur in the classifications known as Driver License Examiner and Driver License Center Supervisor as a result of the third-party testing.

FISCAL IMPACT: According to PennDOT, this legislation would have a minimal fiscal impact on the Motor License Fund as it is unknown how many exemptions would occur as a result of this legislation. Currently, the annual price of a CDL license is \$10, which will increase to \$15 per Act 89 of 2013 on January 1, 2015. If 1,000 CDL exemptions occurred as a result of this

legislation, this would result in the loss of \$15,000 in 2015. This legislation would have no adverse fiscal impact on municipal funds.

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