



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 1042

PRINTERS NO. 1578

PRIME SPONSOR: Vance

COST / (SAVINGS)

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

SUMMARY: Senate Bill 1042, Printer's Number 1578, amends the Clinical Laboratory Act to require all clinical laboratories operating in Pennsylvania to be permitted by the Department of Health (DOH) regardless of where it is licensed. This legislation is effective immediately.

ANALYSIS: This legislation closes the loophole that currently allows an out-of-state lab to provide services in a physician's office by clarifying that prohibited practices are applicable to both in-state and out-of-state licensed laboratories. The legislation expands DOH's ability to inspect and regulate clinical laboratories, exempts out-of-state clinical labs from DOH inspection provided there is proof they are licensed and regulated by the federal Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act, and creates additional penalties for violation of regulations or performing services without a permit.

FISCAL IMPACT: There may be a slight increase in travel costs related to inspecting clinical laboratories that can be absorbed within current DOH funding.

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