



# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

## FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 602

PRINTERS NO. 716

PRIME SPONSOR: Barrar

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2015/16	FY 2016/17
General Fund	See Fiscal Impact	See Fiscal Impact

**SUMMARY:** House Bill 602, Printer's Number 716, amends Section 3102 of Title 51 (Military Affairs) by increasing state active service pay to \$100 per day for the Pennsylvania National Guard.

**ANALYSIS:** This bill amends Title 51 (Military Affairs) Section 3102, which establishes the base pay of Pennsylvania National Guard officers and enlisted personnel in active State service or State Active Duty. State Active Duty applies to periods of disasters or emergencies, in a non-federally declared event, when the Pennsylvania National Guard or Pennsylvania Guard is ordered to duty by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and pay is authorized for such duty.

Officers and enlisted personnel shall be entitled to the same pay and allowances and transportation in kind provided for the current Armed Forces Pay and Allowance Act. The bill increases the State Active Duty pay for Guard personnel from \$75 to \$100 per day.

This legislation would take effect immediately upon enactment.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Enactment of this legislation is projected to have an annual cost of \$50,000 to Commonwealth funds. This assumes that, on average, Guardsmen are activated annually for 2,000 total days for State Active Duty when responding to non-federally declared emergencies across the Commonwealth such as flooding events and snow storms. However, it should be noted that, if a declaration of emergency is made by the President, the state active duty costs for National Guard soldiers are covered by the federal government such as through the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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