



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 972

PRINTERS NO. 1332

PRIME SPONSOR: Pickett

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2014/15	FY 2015/16
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

House Bill 972 amends the Insurance Company Law of 1921 concerning the delivery of individual insurance policies and annuities. It would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS:

Under current law insurers must send policies or annuities to policyholders using hand delivery or certified mail. House Bill 972 would allow for the electronic transmission of these policies or annuities as long as the policyholder has agreed to use that format. In the event of a dispute with the owner of a policy or annuity, the burden of proof will be on the insurer to establish that the policy or annuity was delivered. An insurer or representative of the insurer will be deemed to have satisfied the burden of proof by showing, to the Insurance Department's satisfaction, that it has sent the policy or annuity in the normal course of business.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds.

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House Appropriations Committee (R)

DATE: May 6, 2015

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