



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1325

PRINTERS NO. 3164

PRIME SPONSOR: Mustio

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2015/16	FY 2016/17
Second Class Townships Funds	\$0	See "Fiscal Impact"

SUMMARY: Amends the Second Class Township Code (Act 69 of 1933) to give townships the authority to implement storm water management ordinances and to assess a fee to fund the planning, management, implementation, construction and maintenance of storm water facilities. This legislation would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation would allow townships to collect a uniform and reasonable fee to be used for the funding of construction, maintenance, and operation of storm water management facilities, systems and management plans. The fee cannot exceed the amount necessary to meet the minimum requirements of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act. When establishing the fee, the township shall consider and provide appropriate exemptions or credits for properties that have installed and are maintaining storm water facilities that meet best management practices and are approved or inspected by the township.

The township can only assess the fee in one of three ways:

- On the entire township.
- On properties benefited by a specific project.
- Through the creation of a storm water management district.

Any fee that is assessed by the township is to be filed with the township treasurer, and can be collected by annual or installment payments, as specified by township ordinance.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation would have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth or second class township funds but would provide second class townships with the opportunity to levy a fee to generate new revenue for storm water management.

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DATE: June 21, 2016

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