



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 685

PRINTERS NO. 1000

PRIME SPONSOR: Corman

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2015/16	FY 2016/17
State Board of Medicine Restricted Account	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: Allows visiting sports team physicians to provide medical care to their players and coaches while in PA without obtaining a temporary PA medical license. This legislation would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation amends the Medical Practice Act (Act 112 of 1985) to exempt physicians who are licensed in another state from the PA medical license requirement, provided that:

- they have an agreement with a sports team to provide care to the team and coaching staff for a specific sporting event in PA; or
- they have been invited by a national sport governing body to provide services to team and coaching staff at a national sport training center or a sanctioned event or competition in PA.

An exempt visiting team physician is only authorized to provide care to team members and coaching staff, and is prohibited from providing care in a health care clinic or health care facility in PA.

The legislation provides that the license exemption shall remain in force while the physician is traveling with the sports team, but in no event shall it exceed 30 days total.

This legislation also authorizes the Board of Medicine to enter into agreements with the medical licensing boards of other states to implement these provisions.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation would have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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DATE: November 23, 2015

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