



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 44

PRINTERS NO. 400

PRIME SPONSOR: Delozier

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2016/17	FY 2017/18
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: House Bill 44, Printer's Number 400, amends the Protection From Abuse Act to provide the court with information regarding whether the defendant has been involved with a child abuse investigation. This legislation will take effect in 180 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation is based upon recommendations by the Task Force on Child Protection and requires that if a plaintiff has knowledge of a founded or indicated report of child abuse involving the defendant, the plaintiff must include that information when filing a petition for protection from abuse.

HB 44 also requires that the notice of hearing and order include notice to the defendant of the impact a protection from abuse order may have with proceedings under the Child Protective Services Law (Title 23, Ch.63).

FISCAL IMPACT: Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. This bill requires changes to the Rules of Civil Procedure. Once the new rules are issued, civil forms will need to be revised. Any cost associated with the revised form will be borne by county prothonotaries.

PREPARED BY: Ann Bertolino
House Appropriations Committee (R)

DATE: February 8, 2017

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