



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 144

PRINTERS NO. 108

PRIME SPONSOR: Moul

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2016/17	FY 2017/18
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Corporation Bureau Restricted Account	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: Amends the Solicitation of Funds for Charitable Purposes Act (Act 202 of 1990) to provide for circumstances where charitable organizations would not be disqualified from the Department of State's registration and reporting exemption. This legislation would take effect immediately.

ANALYSIS: This legislation codifies existing Department of State (DOS) policy by amending Section 6(a)(3) of the Act to exclude certain fundraising activities from triggering the requirement for registration and reporting to the DOS for organizations that would otherwise be exempt.

The legislation clarifies that if one of these exempted organizations were to pay to do any of the "fundraising activities" listed below, they would no longer risk triggering the reporting requirements under the Act:

- Copying and printing camera ready materials
- Folding solicitations and inserting solicitations in envelopes
- Addressing envelopes, including printing and affixing address labels
- Mailing or delivering envelopes to a post office for mailing
- Using computer software to process mail and apply postal discounts or bar codes

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

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DATE: April 21, 2017

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