



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1361

PRINTERS NO. 1690

PRIME SPONSOR: Harper

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2016/17	FY 2017/18
Professional Licensure Augmentation Account	\$0	Minimal

SUMMARY: Amends the Real Estate Appraisers Certification Act to add more certified PA evaluators to the State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers. This legislation would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation adds definitions for “Certified PA evaluator” and “Professional member”, increases the size of the State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers, and sets the length of terms for initial appointments of certified PA evaluators.

“Certified Pennsylvania evaluator” is defined as a person certified under the provisions of the Assessors Certification Act.

“Professional member” is defined as either a certified PA evaluator or a State-certified real estate appraiser.

The legislation changes the number of State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraiser members from eight to ten by adding two certified PA evaluators to the board. The total composition of the board is therefore adjusted as follows:

- six State-certified real estate appraisers
- two certified PA Evaluators
- two public members.

A professional member who is both a certified PA evaluator and a State-certified real estate appraiser may be appointed, but the appointment must specify in which capacity the member is being appointed.

Within 90 days of the effective date of the legislation, the Governor will nominate one certified PA evaluator to serve a two-year term and one to serve a four-year term. All subsequent terms will be for four years.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation would add some minimal costs to the State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers. Citizen members of the board are entitled to a per diem compensation rate of \$60 per diem when actually attending to the work of the board as well as reasonable travel, hotel and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with Commonwealth regulations. Any such costs could be absorbed within the Professional Licensure Augmentation Account.

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