



# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

## FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1421

PRINTERS NO. 1785

PRIME SPONSOR: Greiner

### COST / (SAVINGS)

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

**SUMMARY:** Makes changes to the filing time frame for Charitable Organizations, Professional Fundraising Counsels and Professional Solicitors. This legislation would take effect in 60 days.

**ANALYSIS:** This legislation amends the Solicitation of Funds for Charitable Purposes Act (Act 202 of 1990) to provide for changes to the filing time frame of Charitable Organizations, Professional Fundraising Counsels and Professional Solicitors.

**Postmarked and Mailing Date Change:** Registration statements will need to be refiled and "postmarked" (instead of refiled) by the 15th day of the 5th month succeeding the fiscal year in which the organization solicited funds.

The extension for filing a registration statement will not be able to exceed a "mailing date" after the 15th day of the 11th month succeeding the fiscal year of the previous registration.

**Review of Registration Statements:** The Department of State (DOS) shall have 15 (instead of 10) working days after receiving the statement of registration, to inform Charitable Organizations, Professional Fundraising Counsels and Professional Solicitors that requirements have not been met. Charitable Organizations, Professional Fundraising Counsels and Professional Solicitors now have 15 (instead of 7) days after being notified by the DOS that they have not met requirements, to request a hearing. A hearing must now be held within 15 days (instead of 7) of being requested.

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

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