



# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

## FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 651

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AS AMENDED BY: A04444

PRIME SPONSOR: Browne

Project Types	Fund	Debt Financed Authorizations	Current Revenues Authorizations
Public Improvement	Capital Facilities	\$7,253,170,001	
Furniture and Equipment	Capital Facilities	\$220,800,000	
Transportation Assistance	Capital Facilities	\$2,520,925,000	
Redevelopment Assistance	Capital Facilities	\$10,321,695,000	
Flood Control	Capital Facilities	\$408,861,000	
Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation Fund	Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation		\$67,302,000
Environmental Stewardship Fund	Environmental Stewardship		\$22,335,000
State Forestry Bridge	Oil Company Franchise Tax Revenues		\$24,462,000
Parks and Forest Management	Motor License Fund		\$13,018,000
State ATV/Snowmobile	ATV/Snowmobile		\$350,000
Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission	Fish Fund and Boat Fund	\$114,135,000	
Oil and Gas Lease Fund	Oil and Gas Lease Fund		\$5,000,000
Motor License Fund	Motor License Fund	\$1,474,450,000	
	<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$20,725,451,001</b>	<b>\$132,467,000</b>
<b>Debt Financed and Current Revenues:</b>		<b>\$1,588,585,000</b>	
<b>Total Authorizations:</b>		<b>\$22,446,503,001</b>	

**SUMMARY:** Provides for the Capital Budget Project Itemization Act of 2017-18. The Capital Facilities Debt Enabling Act provides the framework for the capital budget process in Pennsylvania, including the itemization of projects under the Capital Budget Project Itemization Act and setting of annual debt limits under the Capital Budget Act.

**ANALYSIS:** Senate Bill 651 is the Capital Budget Project Itemization Act of FY 2017-2018. It establishes the categories under which capital projects may be funded, in part or in whole,

through the issuance of general obligation debt or current revenue. The types of projects in Senate Bill 651 are: Public Improvement projects, Furniture and Equipment projects, Transportation Assistance projects, Redevelopment Assistance projects, Flood Control projects, Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation Fund projects, Environmental Stewardship Fund projects, State Forestry Bridge projects, Parks and Forest Management projects, State ATV/Snowmobile projects, Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission projects, Oil and Gas Lease Fund projects, and Motor License Fund projects.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This legislation itemizes capital projects in the aggregate amount of \$22,446,503,001. Of this amount, \$20,725,451,001 would be funded from debt, \$132,467,000 would be funded from current revenues, and \$1,588,585,000 would be funded from debt or current revenues. Debt service for debt-funded projects would be paid from the General Fund or applicable special fund in the form of annual appropriations to the Treasury for general obligation debt service.

Capital projects included in this bill that are debt financed are financed by the sale of bonds. In addition to the amortization of the bonds, an additional cost to the Commonwealth is the interest on the bonds that are sold. The cost to the General Fund cannot be determined at this time because the size of any future bond issue is dependent on the dollar amount of capital projects released for funding by the Governor and dependent on the interest rate at the time of the sale of such bonds.

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