



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 384 PRINTERS NO. 354 PRIME SPONSOR: Kail

COST / (SAVINGS)

| FUND | FY 2018/19 | FY 2019/20 |
|---|------------|---------------------|
| General Fund | \$0 | \$0 |
| Motor License Fund | \$0 | \$0 |
| Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account | \$0 | See "Fiscal Impact" |
| Municipal Funds | \$0 | \$0 |

SUMMARY: Amends Title 75 (Vehicle Code) to increase the fine for driving a vehicle without the proper class or type of license from \$25 to \$200. This legislation would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation amends section 1504 (related to classes of licenses) of the Vehicle Code to state that a person who drives a motor vehicle in this Commonwealth without a proper license for the type or class of vehicle being driven commits a summary offense with a maximum fine up to \$200. If a person furnishes satisfactory proof of having previously held the proper class of license, and no more than six months have passed from the last date of renewal, the fine shall be \$25.

No person shall be charged under this section if they show the issuing authority within 15 days of being charged:

1. a valid driver's license for the type or class of vehicle being driven in PA at the time of the violation; or
2. if the driver's license is lost, stolen, destroyed or illegible, evidence that the driver was licensed for the type or class of vehicle being driven at the time of the violation.

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

In 2017 there were 1,002 convictions for a Section 1504(a) violation across the Commonwealth. Since the fines would increase from \$25 to \$200, this would provide for additional fine revenue to be deposited into the Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account. If 1,002 convictions continued to occur annually, this would generate \$175,350 in additional revenue to this special account each year.

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