



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 408

PRINTERS NO. 3135

PRIME SPONSOR: Staats

COST / (SAVINGS)

| FUND | FY 2019/20 | FY 2020/21 |
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| General Fund | \$0 | \$0 |

SUMMARY: House Bill 408, Printer's Number 3135, requires notification to the county of legal residence at the time of death of a deceased serviceperson and provision of county contact information to the family of the deceased serviceperson.

ANALYSIS: This bill amends Title 51 (Military Affairs) by adding a new section related to burial benefits and the notice regarding a deceased serviceperson to the county. It states that a licensed funeral director, funeral entity or cemetery company shall notify the county veterans affairs director of the death within 96 hours of receipt of the remains of a deceased serviceperson who resided in the county at the time of death. The family of the deceased service person shall also be provided with the contact information for the county veterans affairs director. The notification requirements only apply to a cemetery company if it provides interment for the cremated remains of a deceased service person for whom a licensed funeral director or funeral entity did not provide goods or services.

The bill also provides additional definitions for "cemetery company," "deceased serviceperson," "funeral entity" and "licensed funeral director."

This legislation would take effect in 60 days upon enactment.

FISCAL IMPACT: Enactment of this legislation will have no impact on Commonwealth funds.

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DATE: January 15, 2020

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