



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1614

PRINTERS NO. 2184

PRIME SPONSOR: Kauffman

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2018/19	FY 2019/20
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

House Bill 1614, Printer's Number 2184 amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure), Chapter 89 (Commencement of Proceedings), Subchapter D (Municipal Police Jurisdiction) by further amending Sections 8953 (Statewide municipal police jurisdiction), 8953.1 (Nonmunicipal police extraterritorial jurisdiction), 8953.2 (Agents of the Office of Attorney General) and adding new Section 8955 (Interpretation). The legislation also amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses), Chapter 61 (Firearms and Other Dangerous Articles), Sections 6105 (Persons not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms) and 6111 (Sale or transfer of firearms).

ANALYSIS:

HB 1614 amends the Municipal Police Jurisdiction Act (MPJA) of the Judicial Code to extend jurisdiction of municipal police officers, nonmunicipal officers and agents of the PA Office of the Attorney General to include situations when the officer/agent has been requested to participate in a Federal, State or local task force.

Section 8955 is added to provide that the authorities provided for under the MPJA will not be subject to the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act (Pa. C.S. 53 Ch23 Subch. A).

The Crimes Code is further amended to provide that the Pennsylvania Attorney General (PA OAG) will have concurrent jurisdiction to prosecute violations of Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses), Sections 6105 and 6111 in the city of the first class (Philadelphia) where the PA OAG has a joint local-State firearm task force.

This legislation will take effect immediately. The amendments to Title 42, Sections 8953, 8953.1, 8953.2 and the addition of 8955 will apply retroactively to law enforcement conduct on or after June 15, 1982. The amendments to Title 18, Sections 6105 and 6111 will take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. Any costs associated with the prosecution of violations to Pa. C.S. 18, Section 6105 & 6111 by the PA OAG, will be absorbed within existing PA OAG appropriation levels.

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