



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 2416

PRINTERS NO. 3579

PRIME SPONSOR: Everett

COST / (SAVINGS)

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

SUMMARY: House Bill 2416, printer’s number 3579, amends the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L. 177, No. 175), known as The Administrative Code by adding an article to provide for emergency regulatory tolling and extensions. The new article would be effective immediately.

ANALYSIS: The legislation adds a new article (proposed as Article I-A) to provide for emergency regulatory tolling and extensions. The new article provides that except as set forth by waiver, a time period applicable under the act of June 25, 1982 (P.L. 633, No. 181), known as the Regulatory Review Act, to a proposed regulation, a final-form regulation or a final-omitted regulation as of the effective date of this section is tolled until 90 days after the declaration of disaster emergency issued by the Governor on March 6, 2020, and any renewal, is terminated by executive order, proclamation or operation of law. (Note: When a proposed regulation is tolled it is delayed or held up for further review or discussion.)

The emergency regulatory tolling provisions do not apply if there is a waiver through the following process:

1. Prior to the expiration of the tolled period (90 days after declaration of COVID-19 disaster emergency is terminated), a Commonwealth agency may petition to the appropriate standing committees of the Senate and House of Representatives under section 7(d) of the Regulatory Review Act, for a waiver of the tolling. The petition must be:
 - (i) in writing;
 - (ii) signed by the head of the Commonwealth agency or its governing body; and
 - (iii) submitted to the chair of each standing committee for distribution to members.
2. The waiver must be granted by a majority vote of each standing committee.

FISCAL IMPACT: The enactment of this legislation will 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.