



# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

## FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 2509

PRINTERS NO. 3852

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### COST / (SAVINGS)

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

**SUMMARY:** House Bill 2509, Printer's Number 3852, establishes the Long-Term Care Facility Personal Protective Equipment Reimbursement Grant Program. This legislation is effective immediately.

**ANALYSIS:** HB 2509 creates a grant program to provide for reimbursement for the costs of personal protective equipment (PPE) provided to employees at facilities during the COVID-19 emergency. The Department of Aging (PDA) will create the standards and requirements for the program, which will be published in the PA Bulletin.

Grants will be awarded to the extent funding is made available. PDA shall use money appropriated by the General Assembly and may use any other money that is made available to the department for grants under the program by Federal or State appropriations, or donations. The grants may not exceed the lesser of 50% of eligible PPE purchase costs, or a lower amount published by PDA to help distribute grant funding for more eligible recipients. Grant funding may not be used to reimburse the costs of PPE that were purchased or reimbursed by another federal or state grant program.

The following facilities may participate in the grant program:

- domiciliary care homes
- home health care agencies
- long term care nursing facilities
- hospices
- home care agencies
- home care registries
- older adult daily living centers
- personal care homes
- assisted living residences
- Living Independence for the Elderly (LIFE) providers
- any other public or private organization that uses public funds to provide care to care-dependent individuals.

PPE includes gloves, hand sanitizer, respirators, face masks, gowns, face shields and other protective equipment designed to be worn or used by individuals to prevent or contain transmission of communicable illness.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This legislation does not mandate funding for the Long-Term Care Facility Personal Protective Equipment Reimbursement Grant Program, therefore, there is no fiscal impact related to this legislation.

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