



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 243

PRINTERS NO. 994

PRIME SPONSOR: Browne

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2018/19	FY 2019/20
General Fund	\$0	\$0
State Gaming Fund (Restricted Revenue Account)	\$84,875,000	\$85,900,000
Fantasy Contest Fund (Restricted Revenue Account)	\$1,859,000	\$463,000
Video Gaming Fund (Restricted Revenue Account)	\$2,856,000	\$1,686,000

SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 243, Printer's Number 994, appropriates \$88,049,000 from the restricted revenue accounts within the State Gaming Fund, Fantasy Contest Fund and Video Gaming Fund to the Attorney General, the Department of Revenue, the Pennsylvania State Police and the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board (Board) for the fiscal year July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020. This amount represents a decrease in funding of \$1,541,000 from FY 2018-19. Funds in the restricted revenue accounts are derived from assessments on licensed gaming facilities plus fees and other revenues collected by the Board.

ANALYSIS:

This bill makes the following appropriations for FY 2019-20:

STATE GAMING FUND:

- \$1,460,000 to the Attorney General for salaries, wages and all necessary expenses relating to gaming which represents an increase of \$120,000, or 9.0%, from FY 2018-19;
- \$8,687,000 to the Department of Revenue for salaries, wages and all necessary expenses relating to gaming which represents an increase of \$420,000, or 5.1%, from FY 2018-19;
- \$29,686,000 to the State Police for salaries, wages and all necessary expenses relating to gaming which represents an increase of \$571,000, or 2.0%, from FY 2018-19; and
- \$46,067,000 to the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board for salaries, wages and all necessary expenses relating to gaming. Included in this appropriation is \$5,000,000 from the restricted revenue account for fees and other revenues collected by the Board. The amount appropriated represents a decrease of \$86,000, or 0.2%, from FY2018-19.

FANTASY CONTEST FUND:

- \$253,000 to the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board for salaries, wages and all necessary expenses relating to the administration and enforcement of fantasy contests, and
- \$210,000 to the Department of Revenue for salaries, wages and all necessary expenses relating to the administration and enforcement of fantasy contests.

VIDEO GAMING FUND:

- \$1,192,000 to the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board for salaries, wages and all necessary expenses relating to the administration and enforcement of video gaming including repayment of any amounts expended during the 2017-18 and 2018-19 fiscal years (the amount appropriated shall constitute a loan and shall be repaid in the manner provided by law), and
- \$494,000 to the Department of Revenue for salaries, wages and all necessary expenses relating to the administration and enforcement of video gaming.

The act shall take effect July 1, 2019, or immediately, whichever is later.

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DATE: June 18, 2019

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