



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 613

PRINTERS NO. 1629

PRIME SPONSOR: Mensch

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2019/20	FY 2020/21
General Fund	See fiscal impact	See fiscal impact

SUMMARY: Senate Bill 613, Printer's Number 1629, amends the Administrative Code by reenacting provisions related to criminal history background checks of employees and contractors with access to Federal tax information and adding a new article regarding emergency COVID-19 provisions for a mitigation plan for businesses.

ANALYSIS: This legislation provides for the following:

Section 226 (Criminal History Background Checks)

This legislation reenacts the section which was enacted as part of Act 15-2019.

Article XXI-C (COVID-19 Emergency Mitigation Plan for Businesses)

This article provides that the Governor shall develop and implement a plan to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 for businesses using recommended guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Such plan shall conform to the March 28, 2020, Advisory Memorandum on Identification of Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers During COVID-19 Response, as published by the United States Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA).

The mitigation plan shall be published on the Department of Community and Economic Development's publicly accessible Internet website within seven days of the effective date. A business that complies with the requirements of the mitigation plan developed may continue to operate in this Commonwealth.

FISCAL IMPACT: The reenactment of Section 226 will have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. Requiring the Governor to develop and implement a plan to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 for businesses using recommended guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) may permit additional businesses previously shut-down to reopen and continue to operate under the proclamation of disaster emergency. To the extent additional businesses can continue to operate, the Commonwealth may realize additional revenues.

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