



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 63

PRINTERS NO. 1025

PRIME SPONSOR: Lawrence

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2020/21	FY 2021/22
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: House Bill 63, Printer's Number 1025, establishes the COVID-19 Vaccine Administration and Distribution Act. This legislation is effective immediately.

ANALYSIS: This legislation permits an individual who has been authorized to administer a COVID-19 vaccine by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to administer vaccines in Pennsylvania. Individuals authorized to administer vaccines under this amendment are required to be trained in CPR; complete immunization training provided by the Centers for Disease Control, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, or other similar training approved by the Secretary of Health; complete an observation period by a currently practicing health care professional who is experienced with administering vaccines; and abide by recordkeeping and reporting requirements determined by the Secretary of Health.

HB 63 requires the Department of Health to publish specific county-level COVID-19 vaccine data, including vaccine dose allocations and eligible populations, and a description of the Department's COVID-19 vaccine allocation formula to the Department's website. The bill requires the Department to submit a report to the General Assembly regarding how the Department will provide sufficient doses of COVID-19 vaccine to counties that have received fewer doses from the Department than those counties have requested.

HB 63 defines the terms "mass vaccination site" and requires the Department of Health to deliver doses of COVID-19 vaccine that are intended for a mass vaccination site to the county health department in which the mass vaccination site is to be held. The provisions related to mass vaccination sites are applicable to counties of the second class A and counties of the third class that have entered into an intergovernmental cooperation agreement to oversee the COVID-19 response in a county of the second class A.

The COVID-19 Vaccine Administration and Distribution Act created by HB 63 expires 60 days after the termination of the Governor's COVID-19 emergency declaration order, or December 31, 2022, whichever is earlier.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation will have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. Any additional cost incurred by the Department of Health to comply with reporting requirements should be accommodated within the increased federal funding the Department has received to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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