



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 178

PRINTERS NO. 146

PRIME SPONSOR: James

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2020/21	FY 2021/22
Administration Fund	\$0	\$0
Unemployment Compensation Benefit Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: Amends the Unemployment Compensation Law to increase the periods of time allotted for parties to appeal the determination of an Unemployment Compensation (UC) Service Center and the decision of a UC referee, from 15 days to 21 days. This legislation would take effect when the Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) publishes notice in the PA Bulletin upon the completion of the technological upgrades to the delivery system for UC benefits.

ANALYSIS: This legislation provides for an increased timeline in the UC appeal process. A party will have 21 days to appeal: 1) a determination of a UC Service Center to a UC referee or 2) a referee's decision to the UC Board of Review.

The increases in appeal timelines would apply to benefit years beginning after the DLI publication of notice.

FISCAL IMPACT: This legislation would have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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DATE: February 3, 2021

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