



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1366

PRINTERS NO. 2412

PRIME SPONSOR: Klunk

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

House Bill 1366 amends the Judicial Code, Chapter 73 (Arbitration), by adding a new subchapter concerning uniform family law arbitration. It would take effect in 60 days.

ANALYSIS:

House Bill 1366 establishes a uniform family law arbitration process in the Judicial Code. It is established as subchapter D in Chapter 73 of the Judicial Code, which concerns arbitration. The process in this bill is similar to the Revised Statutory Arbitration Act (RSAA) process which exists elsewhere in Chapter 73. The process in HB 1366 is tailored to focus on family law issues that the RSAA fails to address, including child custody and child support matters.

Among many powers and duties assigned to arbitrators in this legislation is the power to allocate arbitration fees, attorney fees, expert witness fees and other costs to the parties, unless the parties otherwise agree in a record.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds. The arbitration process is paid for by the parties involved in the arbitration.

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DATE: November 16, 2021

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