



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 2275

PRINTERS NO. 3050

PRIME SPONSOR: White

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23
General Fund	See Fiscal Impact	

SUMMARY:

House Bill 2275 amends the Crimes Code concerning persons not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms and the sale or transfer of firearms. Effective dates vary by provision.

ANALYSIS:

House Bill 2275 amends the Crimes Code concerning persons not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms and the unlawful sale or transfer of firearms by granting the Office of Attorney General (OAG) concurrent jurisdiction to prosecute any violations of these provisions in a city of the first class where the OAG has operated a joint local-State firearm task force. This bill will not apply to any case instituted after September 2, 2021, and before the effective date of this legislation or after December 31, 2025, when this concurrent jurisdiction ends.

The bill also establishes a Gun Violence Task Force under the authority of the Attorney General in a city of the first class. The Task Force will investigate and prosecute the unlawful possession, use, manufacture, control, sale, and transfer of firearms. The Task Force will be funded from annual General Fund appropriations to a joint local-State firearm task force in a city of the first class, and the funds will be under the control of the OAG.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. The 2021-22 budget for the OAG contains a joint local-State firearm task force appropriation of \$7,115,000. This appropriation has been included in the OAG's budget since the 2006-07 fiscal year, when it was funded at approximately \$5 million.

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