



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 2450

PRINTERS NO. 2871

PRIME SPONSOR: Fritz

COST / (SAVINGS)

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

SUMMARY: House Bill 2450, Printer's Number 2871, amends the Delaware River Basin Compact, reapportioning signatory voting power to align with a state's land area contribution to the basin.

ANALYSIS: This bill amends the Delaware River Basin Compact (Act 268 of 1961), specifically Section 2.5 addressing the voting power of each signatory member. The bill states that each member shall be entitled to "a number of votes equivalent to each member's land area contribution to the basin on all matters which may come before the commission. The Federal Government shall be entitled to one vote. The state of Delaware shall be entitled to one vote. The state of New Jersey shall be entitled to three votes. The state of New York shall be entitled to two votes. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be entitled to six votes."

Sections 2 and 3 of the bill provide technical language recognizing that the change to Pennsylvania's Delaware River Basin Compact, though immediate, is without effect until enactment of identical language by the Congress of the United States, and the states of New York, New Jersey, and Delaware.

FISCAL IMPACT: Enactment of this legislation will have no impact on Commonwealth funds.

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DATE: April 11, 2022

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