

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 2451

PRINTERS NO. 2872

PRIME SPONSOR: Fritz

COST / (SAVINGS)

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

SUMMARY: House Bill 2451, Printer's Number 2872, amends the Delaware River Basin Compact, to inhibit rules or regulations connected with hydraulic fracturing.

ANALYSIS: This bill amends the Delaware River Basin Compact (Act 268 of 1961), specifically Section 14.2 of the act addressing regulations and enforcement. It inserts additional language stating that the commission may make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations... "provided, that the rules and regulations do not impede or interfere with the operation or control of projects, structures or facilities constructed or used in connection with hydraulic fracturing...."

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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House Appropriations Committee (R)

DATE: April 11, 2022

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