



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 105

PRINTER'S NO. 2806

PRIME SPONSOR: Ciresi

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25
Motor License Fund	\$0	\$1,750,000

SUMMARY: HB 105 PN 2806 exempts certain injured and decorated veterans from vehicle registration and titling fees. This legislation will take effect in five months.

ANALYSIS: This legislation amends Title 75 (Vehicles) Section 1901(b) (related to exemption of persons, entities, and vehicles from fees – title and registration fees) to require that no fee for titling or registration be charged for the following:

- Vehicles registered to a veteran who lost a limb or eye or who became partially paralyzed while serving in the U.S. armed forces;
- Vehicles registered to a person who, as a member of the U.S. armed forces, was captured by the enemy during any armed conflict for which the Department of Defense authorizes a campaign medal; and
- Vehicles registered to a person who has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor or the Purple Heart;

The bill further removes language within:

- Section 1901(c) specifically (17), (18), and (19) relating to processing fee in lieu of registration fee; and
- Section 1901(d) specifically (17), (18), and (19) that would provide that only one passenger vehicle with a GVW of not more than 9,000 pounds may be registered under the new provisions of Section 1901(b)

FISCAL IMPACT: The enactment of this legislation would have a fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds, specifically the Motor License Fund. In order to determine the impact, we have to consider the following two components:

- The necessary system changes to exempt individuals under the legislation from being charged registration and titling fees – \$1.5 million;
- The number of veterans who fall under the provisions of the bill – less than \$250,000 per year
 - A. Who lost a limb, eye, or became partially paralyzed while serving in U.S. armed forces
 - 99 were on the Blind Veterans’ Pension in 2023 in PA;
 - 2,308 were on the Amputee & Paralyzed Veterans’ Pension in 2023 in PA;
 - B. Who as a member of U.S. armed forces was captured by the enemy during armed conflict
 - Currently there are a total of about 22,000 Former Prisoners of War in the U.S.
 - C. Who has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor or Purple Hearth
 - 1 Pennsylvanian - COL Walter "Joe" Marm Jr.

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