



## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

# FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1131

PRINTER'S NO. 1186

PRIME SPONSOR: Borowski

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2022/23	FY 2023/24
General Fund	\$0	\$0

### SUMMARY:

House Bill 1131 Printer's Number 1186 amends the Act of April 27, 1905, which created the Department of Health and defines its powers and duties to close a State Health Center when there is a separate county health department as established under the Act of August 24, 1951, known as the Local Health Administration Law.

### ANALYSIS:

House Bill 1131 amends Section 8 of the Act of April 27, 1905, which created the Department of Health and defines its powers and duties. Section 8 establishes the duties for the Department of Health for the protection of the health of the people in the State and allows the department to determine and employ the most efficient and practical means for the prevention and suppression of disease.

Changes to Section 8 are as follows:

- Section 8(b) allows the Secretary or authorized person by the secretary to enter, examine, and survey all grounds, vehicles, apartments, building and places in the state to ensure the health and protection of individuals in those locations. This language is amended to clarify that the Secretary of Health is providing the authorization of the individuals taking any actions under this section and uses gender-neutral language.
- Section 8(c)(1) amends the exception which would allow the Department of Health to close any state health center in any county that has established a separate county health department under the Act of August 24, 1951, known as the Local Health Administrative Law.
- Section 8(c)(4) removes the requirement for a report which was required on or before December 31, 1997.

This legislation will take effect in 60 days.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no immediate fiscal impact from this legislation. To the extent that the Department of Health can close a State Health Center in a county that also has a county health department, there would be savings in the fiscal year in which that State Health Center closes and for subsequent fiscal years after its closure.

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