



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1474

PRINTER'S NO. 2174

PRIME SPONSOR: Ciresi

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25
General Fund	See Fiscal Impact	See Fiscal Impact
Municipal or County Funds	See Fiscal Impact	See Fiscal Impact

SUMMARY: HB 1474 PN 2174 expands the C-PACE program by adding electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure as an eligible project type. This legislation would take effect in sixty (60) days.

ANALYSIS: This legislation amends Title 12 (Commerce and Trade) Chapter 43 (Property Assessed Clean Energy Program) to expand the Pennsylvania Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy Program (C-PACE), to include EV charging infrastructure projects as an eligible project type. This bill also requires a municipality or county that approves an EV charging infrastructure project, to send a notice to the Department of Revenue (DOR), upon completion of the project. Furthermore, the DOR is required to ensure that any Alternative Fuels Tax, which is to be reported, is collected properly.

Additionally, it is required that articles, materials, and supplies installed, utilizing the C-PACE program, be produced or manufactured in the United States. The bill further provides that equipment shall fulfill this requirement, if at least 75 percent of the articles, materials, and supplies are manufactured or produced in the U.S. However, if such articles, materials, and supplies are not available in the U.S., the produced or manufactured requirement can be met via:

- Federal Highway Administration (FHA) waiver to Buy America requirements for EV infrastructure, as published in the Federal Register, Volume 88, No. 34; or
- Public Contracts, 41 U.S. Code Chapter 83, relating to Buy America requirement exceptions.

FISCAL IMPACT: In order to determine the fiscal impact of this legislation, we need to analyze each component separately. Specifically:

- Expanding the C-PACE program, to include EV charging infrastructure, as an eligible project type, would have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds;
- The impact related to the Municipal or County notice requirements to DOR is twofold:
 - First, there could be a negative impact on Municipal/County funds, as such requirement provides for additional work, however the actual impact on Municipality or County funds is indeterminate;
 - Second, as it relates to DOR and the provision related to ensuring the collection of the Alternative Fuels Tax, this component wouldn't require the addition of administrative staff and as such the department could perform its duties utilizing current complement. As it relates to any tax revenue generated, ensuring that DOR is aware of any new electric vehicle station projects approved across the commonwealth, under the expanded program parameters, could have a positive impact on compliance thus it could lead to an unknown increase in revenues.
- The provision related to the utilization of articles, materials, and supplies produced or manufactured in the United States, would have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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