

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1903

PRINTER'S NO. 2942

PRIME SPONSOR: Cerrato

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

Amends Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) to provide for remediation of private water and sewer lateral lines.

ANALYSIS:

House Bill 1903, Printer's Number 2942 amends Title 53 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes by adding a new chapter, Chapter 62 (Water and Sewer Projects). The new chapter allows municipalities to use public resources to replace or remediate private water and sewer lateral lines if the municipality determines the replacement or remediation will benefit public health, the public water supply system, or the public sewer system. The legislation specifies that performing the replacement or remediation work will not result in the municipality being deemed the owner of the private water or sewer lateral or obligate the municipality to perform any other duties with respect to the lateral lines.

Municipalities performing work authorized by the legislation are required to use American-made supplies unless they determine that American-made supplies are unavailable in sufficient quantities to complete the work. Such determinations must be published in at least two newspapers of general circulation within the municipality as well as on the municipality's social media and internet website. These determinations will be subject to objection from a person or business and those objections must be adjudicated according to 2 Pa.C.S. Ch. 7 Subch. B (relating to judicial review of local agency action).

The act will take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Any projects performed pursuant to this legislation will only utilize municipal resources. As such, this legislation would have no fiscal impact to the Commonwealth.

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