



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 202

PRINTER'S NO. 83

PRIME SPONSOR: Fontana

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2022/23	FY 2023/24
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	See Fiscal Impact

SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 202, Printer's Number 83 expands certain Sheriff's Sale provisions to municipalities in Allegheny County currently afforded to Philadelphia.

ANALYSIS:

This bill amends the Municipal Claim and Tax Lien Law to allow a city of the second class (the City of Pittsburgh), a county of the second class (Allegheny County), or a municipality therein to impose a municipal claim, municipal lien, tax, tax claim, or tax lien on property in order to sell a property through Sheriff's Sale. This is currently an authority granted to Philadelphia.

For properties located within Allegheny County, the legislation also reduces the time that property owners have to redeem the property sold at Sheriff Sale from nine months to three months. The nine-month redemption period would remain for Philadelphia.

The legislation also allows the mayor of Pittsburgh to designate an agency for the acquisition, administration, maintenance, and disposition of property acquired by the city at a Sheriff's Sale. It also permits the city to act as an agent for a taxing authority having a claim against property pursuant to a locally negotiated agreement.

This legislation would take effect 60 days upon enactment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This legislation is not expected to adversely impact commonwealth funds. Sheriff's Sales are conducted at the local level, so municipal budgets, and specifically those located in and including Allegheny County, could be impacted if they acquire property pursuant to the statute and can recoup their delinquent tax funds quicker.

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