

# SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

**BILL NO.** House Bill 1461

**PRINTER'S NO.** 2625

**AMOUNT**

No Fiscal Impact

**FUND**

General Fund

**DATE INTRODUCED**

May 4, 2011

**PRIME SPONSOR**

Representative Ross

**HISTORY OF BILL**

Referred to LOCAL GOVERNMENT, May 4, 2011

Reported as committed, May 10, 2011

First consideration, May 10, 2011

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In the Senate

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Re-reported as amended, Oct. 24, 2011

**DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF BILL**

House Bill 1461 amends The Borough Code (Act 581 of 1966) to provide for examinations, background investigations and promotion procedures for civil service police and firemen. The legislation amends sections 1181 (General Provisions Relating to Examinations) and 1184 (Eligibility List and Manner of Filling Appointments) as follows:

- Clarifies that background investigations of candidates for an **original position** may be restricted to those candidates on an eligibility list submitted by the civil service commission or those certified for hiring.
- Clarifies that physical fitness and agility examinations, and medical and psychological examinations may, but need not, be components of promotion examinations.

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## **FISCAL NOTE**

The legislation is retroactive to October 27, 2010, which is the date of enactment of Act 91 of 2010. Act 91 brought the civil service procedures into compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. House Bill 1461 validates any promotions that may have occurred where the above examinations were not performed.

This act shall take effect immediately.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The legislation will have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth or local funds.