

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. House Bill 2428

PRINTER'S NO. 4076

AMOUNT

FY 2012-13 \$700,000
FY 2012-13 \$0

FUND

Veterans' Trust Fund
Motor License Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

June 4, 2012

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Pyle

HISTORY OF BILL

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Re-committed to RULES, June 5, 2012
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In the Senate

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DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF BILL

House Bill 2428 amends Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes to provide for a veteran's designation on driver's licenses and identification cards.

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This legislation amends §1510 (Issuance and content of driver's license) by adding a new subsection (a.1) (Veteran's driver's license designation) that requires the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (Department) to issue a driver's license or identification card displaying a veteran designation that clearly indicates that the person is a veteran of the United States Armed Forces.

An applicant for such driver's license or identification card is required to provide documentation, as determined by the Department, verifying their veteran status.

Finally, the Department and the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA) are required to enter into an agreement whereby the DMVA shall reimburse the Motor License Fund for actual costs related to the issuance of a veteran's designation on driver's licenses and identification cards. Reimbursements shall be paid from the Veterans' Trust Fund. Applicants will still be required to pay any renewal or duplicate driver's license or identification card fees.

FISCAL IMPACT:

According to the Department, initial set-up costs associated with implementing the provisions of this legislation would be as follows:

- PennDOT computer system changes- \$450,000;
- Photo vendor costs - \$200,000; and
- PennDOT forms changes - \$10,000.

In addition to the above mentioned costs, the Department estimates \$40,000 ongoing annual support plus postage costs.

The legislation mandates that the Veterans' Trust Fund shall reimburse the Motor License Fund for the actual costs incurred by the Department to implement the provisions of §1510 (a.1).

Although there would be an initial cost of \$660,000 to the Veterans' Trust Fund during the first year following enactment of this legislation and \$40,000 every year thereafter, it must be noted that there would be no adverse fiscal impact to the Motor License Fund.