

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. House Bill 46

PRINTER'S NO. 3761

AMOUNT

Nominal

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

January 9, 2013

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Godshall

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF BILL

House Bill 46, as amended, amends the Tax Reform Code of 1971 (Act 2 of 1971) by codifying the expired Organ and Bone Marrow Donor Act (Act 65 of 2006) into the Tax Reform Code ("TRC").

The legislation establishes the Organ and Bone Marrow Donation Credit as Article XVIII of the TRC. The program provides a tax credit for business firms that allow paid leaves of absences to employees for the purpose of organ or bone marrow donation. The granting of tax credits under the freestanding Organ and Bone Marrow Donor Act expired after tax year 2010.

House Bill 46 repeals the Organ and Bone Marrow Donor Act and effectively removes the former sunset date by providing that new Article XVIII of the TRC shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2010.

The act shall take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of House Bill 46 will have a nominal fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

According to a report prepared by the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee with regard to Commonwealth tax credit programs from June 2010, three companies applied for and were approved for Organ and Bone Marrow Tax Credits since the program's inception. The combined amount of tax credits approved for these companies totaled \$3,505.