

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. Senate Bill 1078

PRINTER'S NO. 2187

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

Local Funds

DATE INTRODUCED

January 16, 2014

PRIME SPONSOR

Senator Wiley

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF BILL

Senate Bill 1078 amends Section 30 (Supplemental Benefits) of the County Pension Law to provide that if a cost-of-living adjustment is given to a retired county employee, it does not need to be calculated retroactively to the date of the previous cost-of-living adjustment and does not need to apply to the cost-of-living index for each year since the previous cost-of-living increase.

The legislation is scheduled to take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The enactment of Senate Bill 1078 will have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. The cost of a specific cost-of-living adjustment will be a function of the frequency and the amount of cost-of-living adjustment authorized by the respective county. In addition, this change would likely result in cost-of-living adjustments being more evenly distributed among all retirees instead of being weighted toward retirees who have been retired longer.