

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. House Bill 1801

PRINTER NO. 2968

AMOUNT

\$6,053,394,000
(\$5,223,000)
\$20,759,000

FUND

General Fund
Tobacco Settlement Fund
Pennsylvania Racehorse Development Restricted
Receipt Account

DATE INTRODUCED

January 26, 2016

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Irvin

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF BILL

House Bill 1801, as amended, makes supplemental appropriations in the amount of \$6,053,394,000 from the General Fund to various Commonwealth departments and agencies for the fiscal year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. These supplemental appropriations include, but are not limited to, the following:

- \$939,401,000 for State Correctional Institutions, to restore the funding that was vetoed from the General Appropriation Act of 2015;
- \$3,147,540,000 for Basic Education Funding, which is \$50 million greater than the vetoed amount from the General Appropriation Act of 2015; and
- \$1,869,333,000 for Medical Assistance-Capitation;

The legislation directs the Secretary of the Budget to lapse, by June 15, 2016, funds totaling not less than \$200 million from prior-year General Fund appropriations with unexpended balances. "Prior-year General Fund appropriations" is defined as appropriations from the General Fund to the Executive Department and to recipients of nonpreferred appropriations for fiscal years prior to fiscal year 2015-2016. If the Secretary of the Budget fails to comply with this requirement, the State Treasurer shall immediately lapse, retroactively to June 15, 2016, certain prior-year General Fund appropriations, as itemized in the legislation.

The Tobacco Settlement Fund appropriation for Medical Assistance-Long Term Care is being reduced, thereby creating a savings from the Fund in the amount of \$5,223,000.

Supplemental appropriations in the amount of \$20,759,000 are made to the Department of Agriculture from the Pennsylvania Racehorse Development Restricted Receipt Account.

Finally, this legislation provides that any money that was expended under temporary expenditure symbols after June 30, 2015, through the date of enactment of this legislation and has not been deducted from the corresponding appropriation in the

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General Appropriation Act of 2015, shall be deducted from the corresponding appropriation in this legislation.

This act shall be retroactive to July 1, 2015.

This act shall take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The supplemental appropriations contained within this legislation, and the amounts in the General Appropriation Act of 2015, result in total General Fund expenditures of \$30,031,332,000. Total expenditures from the Pennsylvania Racehorse Development Restricted Receipt Account total \$25,759,000.