

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. House Bill 422

PRINTER NO. 1088

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

February 11, 2019

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Delozier

DESCRIPTION

House Bill 422 amends the Uniform Construction Code to establish a building code official trainee program.

This bill allows the Department of Labor and Industry (department) to establish a separate trainee classification for each of the 20 current classification categories. The trainee classification shall be optional, and a trainee must secure the sponsorship of an individual certified in each category in which they are seeking certification. The trainee certification is non-renewable and shall be limited to a two-year time period for residential and accessibility certifications and a three-year time period for all other certifications. A trainee may learn the duties under the direct supervision of a certified individual and may not conduct an inspection unless accompanied by a certified individual.

The legislation allows the department to establish fees, applications and a registration process. The department shall list those with a training certification on its website.

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 422 will have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

This legislation provides the department the discretion to create the certification and establish fees. It is anticipated that fees paid by applicants would offset any additional costs to administer the certification. Currently, the cost for a regular registration and certification and a renewal is \$50.