

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. House Bill 2470

PRINTER NO. 3841

AMOUNT

\$6,204,000

FUND

General Fund Restricted Revenue Account

DATE INTRODUCED

April 30, 2020

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Saylor

DESCRIPTION

House Bill 2470 appropriates \$6,204,000 from a restricted revenue account within the General Fund to the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) in the Office of the Attorney General.

The OCA represents Pennsylvania utility consumers in matters before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) and other state and federal agencies. The OCA also represents the interests of Pennsylvania consumers in non-governmental operations, such as the PJM Interconnection.

The OCA is funded through a direct assessment on the companies that are under the jurisdiction of the PUC. No General Fund revenues are used to support the OCA's operations.

This act shall take effect July 1, 2020, or immediately, whichever is later.

FISCAL IMPACT

House Bill 2470 reflects the Governor's Executive Budget recommended Fiscal Year 2020-21 appropriation of \$6,204,000 for the OCA, which is a \$179,000 increase from the current year.