

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. Senate Bill 689

PRINTER NO. 828

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

May 31, 2019

PRIME SPONSOR

Senator Martin

DESCRIPTION

Senate Bill 689 amends the Second Class Township Code to increase the allowable maximum salaries of elected municipal officials.

This legislation would increase the maximum allowable salaries for township supervisors. This legislation does not directly increase any official's salary, which is set by ordinance by each township. Any changes would not take effect until the beginning of the officials' next term in office. The proposed amounts are based on the Consumer Price Index change since the current amounts were set in 1995.

| Township Supervisor | | |
|---------------------|-------------|----------|
| | Current Law | Proposed |
| Less than 5,000 | \$1,875 | \$3,145 |
| 5,000 - 9,999 | \$2,500 | \$4,190 |
| 10,000 - 14,999 | \$3,250 | \$5,450 |
| 15,000 - 24,999 | \$4,125 | \$6,915 |
| 25,000 - 34,999 | \$4,375 | \$7,335 |
| 35,000 or more | \$5,000 | \$8,385 |

The bill also creates an alternative option for township supervisor compensation to be based on a per-meeting attendance criteria and the forfeiture of up to 1/12 of the annual compensation for each unexcused absence.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Senate Bill 689 will have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

A second class township with 5 supervisors that currently pays the statutory maximum, could be impacted by \$6,350 to \$16,925 dependent on a township's population, given the increases in this legislation. A township is not required to pay the maximum, and each township sets its compensation level via ordinance.