

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. Senate Bill 1027

PRINTER NO. 1621

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

February 6, 2020

PRIME SPONSOR

Senator Gordner

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF BILL

Senate Bill 1027 amends Section 432.1 (State Geospatial Coordinating Board) of the Administrative Code as follows:

- Extends the sunset date of the State Geospatial Coordinating Board (board) for four (4) years from June 30, 2020, to June 30, 2024;
- Includes the Secretary of Agriculture or a designee as a member of the board;
- Includes provisions further specifying that the board may hire an executive director with the approval of the Governor;
- Provides that funding for the executive director’s compensation is to be evenly apportioned among the executive agencies represented on the board. This includes the Office of Administration; the Department of Environmental Protection; the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources; the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, the Department of Transportation; the Department of General Services; and the Department of Agriculture; and
- Removes the requirement that local government representatives appointed to the board by the Senate and House of Representatives be elected officials.

The legislation is scheduled to take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The enactment of Senate Bill 1027 will have no additional fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. The Office of Administration estimates the compensation (salary and benefits) for the position of the board’s executive director to be \$235,000 annually. Under the legislation, each of the seven (7) executive agencies represented on the board would be responsible for paying an equal share of the costs for the executive director’s compensation (\$33,571), which can be borne within their existing operating budgets.