

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. House Bill 110

PRINTER NO. 78

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

January 11, 2021

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Causer

DESCRIPTION

House Bill 110 amends the Hardwoods Development Council Act (Act 116 of 1988) by changing the composition of the Hardwoods Development Council (council) from 25 to 29 members and making other minor changes as follows:

- Adds the Secretary of Education;
- Increases the Governor’s number of appointments from 15 to 18;
- Adds the Allegheny Hardwoods Utilization Group, a logger and a private sector forester to the list of the Governor’s required appointments;
- Provides a 3-year term of office for the logger and the private sector forester, which is consistent with other industry appointments;
- Allows the furniture manufacturer representative to be a cabinet manufacturer; and
- Replaces the Pennsylvania Hardwood Lumber Manufacturing Association with its successor organization, the Pennsylvania Forest Products Association.

The legislation is scheduled to take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT

The enactment of House Bill 110 will have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. The Hardwoods Development Council Act specifies that members of the council shall serve without compensation. In addition, council members are not reimbursed for expenses.