

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. House Bill 664

PRINTER NO. 1047

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

February 26, 2021

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Hershey

DESCRIPTION

House Bill 664 amends Title 53 and Title 68 to exempt small businesses run by minors from requirements to get business licenses by a municipality or a planned community.

This bill prevents municipalities from requiring businesses operated by a minor from needing a license to operate. To qualify as a business operated by a minor, it must meet the following:

- Be operated by a minor under the age of 18;
- Be open for less than 84 days per calendar year;
- Generate less than \$5,000 net per year unless the money is being used for charitable purposes;
- Be located at a distance as determined by the municipality that is not in direct competition with a business that is required to get a license; and
- Located in a primarily residential area or un-zoned location.

A municipality may enact and enforce ordinances that regulate how these businesses are operated but cannot include a license requirement.

This legislation also amends Title 68 to extend the same restrictions to planned communities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 664 will have no impact on Commonwealth funds. To the extent a municipality currently collects license revenue from a business operated by a minor, the municipality will experience a reduction in fee revenue.