

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. House Bill 957

PRINTER NO. 1852

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

March 17, 2021

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Moul

DESCRIPTION

House Bill 957 amends the Municipal Authorities Act to allow owners of multiple residential units serviced by a single water meter to request a rate adjustment.

For an owner to request a rate adjustment, they must provide five consecutive years of usage data showing the amount billed exceeds actual usage by 30%. The authority shall lower the billing amount to reflect actual usage but may include up to 10% over the amount used. Once adjusted, an owner may not request another adjustment for five years.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 957 will have no impact on Commonwealth funds. Municipal authorities may recognize changes in revenues depending on the number of successful rate adjustment requests and the change in the billing amount for those adjustment requests.