

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. House Bill 1849

PRINTER NO. 2092

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

Professional Licensure Augmentation Account

DATE INTRODUCED

September 9, 2021

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Polinchock

DESCRIPTION

House Bill 1849 amends the Real Estate Licensing and Registration Act to provide for distance education.

This legislation permits real estate education providers that have been approved for traditional in-person instruction the ability to livestream to remotely located students. Only courses in which the instructor and students are separated by both distance and time will be considered distance education. House Bill 1849 defines "distance education."

This act shall take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of this legislation will have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. As livestreamed instruction will be considered the same as in-person instruction, the implementation of House Bill 1849 can be accomplished within existing staffing and funding levels provided to the Department of State for the Real Estate Commission.