

# **SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE**

**BILL NO.** House Bill 2146

**PRINTER NO.** 2541

**AMOUNT**

\$400,000

**FUND**

General Fund

**DATE INTRODUCED**

December 8, 2021

**PRIME SPONSOR**

Representative Grove

**DESCRIPTION**

House Bill 2146 divides the Commonwealth into 17 districts for the purposes of electing representatives in the United States Congress and provides for the Secretary of the Commonwealth to publish notice of the establishment of these districts.

Current members of Congress will continue to serve until the expiration of their current term. Any political subdivision or part thereof that is omitted from the descriptions will be part of the congressional district that completely surrounds it. If it is not completely surrounded, it shall be part of the congressional district to which it is contiguous. If it is contiguous to more than one congressional district, it will become part of the district with the least population.

A notification must be published at least once in at least one newspaper of general circulation in each county in which such newspapers are published. The notice must contain the legal descriptions for all congressional districts in the county in which the publication is made. The notification must also state the population of the districts having the smallest and the largest population and the percentage variation of such districts from the average population for congressional districts.

This act takes effect immediately.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The General Appropriations Act of 2021 provides the Department of State with a \$400,000 appropriation to perform the necessary duties related to congressional reapportionment as required by the bill. The enactment of this legislation will have no additional fiscal impact to the General Fund. The Department of State indicates that the appropriation is adequate to meet the notice requirements of the bill.