

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. Senate Bill 145

PRINTER NO. 1554

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

Motor License Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

January 29, 2021

PRIME SPONSOR

Senator Brooks

DESCRIPTION

Senate Bill 145 amends Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes to exempt municipal trucks from the Department of Transportation’s (department) bonding of restricted highways, except bridges, and extends the sunset date to December 31, 2028, for Letters of Local Determination (LoLD) to haul timber.

Section 4902 (relating to restrictions on use of highways and bridges) of Title 75 is amended by adding a paragraph to authorize government-owned vehicles, vehicles of local government agency contractors providing material for maintenance and department contractors engaged in or providing material for construction or maintenance to be exempt from bonding restrictions on the use of highways, except bridges. The following types of documents shall constitute evidence that a vehicle is traveling to or from a site:

- 1) A bill of lading;
- 2) A shipping order; or
- 3) A service order or other document that indicates the address of the site and purpose of the trip.

Additionally, the legislation extends the LoLD sunset date from December 31, 2023 to December 31, 2028. These statements of policy are used by the department to identify particular vehicles, routes or uses related to logging or forest products as being local in nature and subject to certain exemptions and requirements.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Enactment of this legislation will have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.