

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. Senate Bill 248

PRINTER NO. 216

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

February 18, 2021

PRIME SPONSOR

Senator Phillips-Hill

DESCRIPTION

Senate Bill 248 amends Title 38 (Holidays and Observances) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes to include certain veteran recognition days.

Title 38 is amended by adding Chapter 13 (Veteran Recognition) to recognize the contributions of veterans of the United States Armed Forces from this Commonwealth who served in major conflicts since the Vietnam War.

This legislation makes the following designations:

- March 6 of each year is designated as "Persian Gulf War Veterans Day" and
- October 7 of each year is designated as "Global War on Terrorism Veterans Day."

Additionally, this legislation requires the Governor to issue annually a proclamation encouraging all public schools and educational institutions to observe the "Persian Gulf War Veterans Day" and the "Global War on Terrorism Veterans Day" and to conduct exercises recognizing the contributions of all those involved in the respective wars and remembering the sacrifices they made for their country. The proclamation may not mandate a public school or educational institution to participate in the observance.

This act shall take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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