

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. House Bill 615

PRINTER NO. 1124

AMOUNT

\$75,802,000
\$550,000

FUND

Workmen’s Compensation Administration Fund
Restricted Revenue Account

DATE INTRODUCED

May 2, 2023

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Harris

DESCRIPTION

House Bill 615 appropriates \$75,802,000 from the Workmen’s Compensation Administration Fund to the Department of Labor and Industry for administration of the Workers’ Compensation Act and the Pennsylvania Occupational Disease Act for Fiscal Year 2023-24. The fund is supported by annual assessments on insurers and self-insurers under the act.

House Bill 615 appropriates \$550,000 from the restricted revenue account within the Workmen’s Compensation Administration Fund to the Office of Small Business Advocate in the Department of Community and Economic Development for the operation of that office for Fiscal Year 2023-24.

This act shall take effect July 1, 2023, or immediately, whichever is later.

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 615 will cost the Workmen’s Compensation Administration Fund \$75,802,000 in Fiscal Year 2023-24. That funding amount is level with last year’s enacted budget and represents no change from the Governor’s proposed level.

House Bill 615 will cost the Workmen’s Compensation Administration Fund \$550,000 in Fiscal Year 2023-24 for the operation of the Office of Small Business Advocate. That funding amount is a \$200,000 increase over last year’s enacted budget and is equal to the Governor’s proposed level.