SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. House Bill 1407 **PRINTER NO.** 1572

AMOUNT FUND

No Fiscal Impact Tobacco Settlement Fund

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DESCRIPTION

House Bill 1407 amends the definition of "units sold" to expand the application of the Tobacco Settlement Agreement Act's escrow requirements to all cigarettes on which the Commonwealth would be permitted to collect a state excise tax. The definition of "cigarette" under this law includes roll-your-own tobacco.

The Office of Attorney General would be required to attempt to obtain consent from participating manufacturers under the Master Settlement Agreement for the change in the definition of "units sold." If consent is obtained, the Office of Attorney General would need to provide notice to the Secretary of Revenue and transmit notice of the consent to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the next available issue of the Pennsylvania Bulletin. If consent is not obtained, the Office of Attorney General would similarly need to notify the Secretary of Revenue and transmit a notice of refusal to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

If such consent is obtained, the Attorney General must send notice to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin. The new definition takes effect 60 days after that publication.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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