## SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. House Bill 1461 PRINTER NO. 2288

AMOUNT

\$603,527,000 General Fund

Agricultural College Land Scrip Fund

DATE INTRODUCED PRIME SPONSOR

June 20, 2023 Representative Harris

## **DESCRIPTION**

House Bill 1461 provides for the Commonwealth's non-preferred appropriations to the State-related Universities for Fiscal Year 2023-24. The State-related Universities include: the Pennsylvania State University, the University of Pittsburgh, Temple University and Lincoln University.

The legislation itemizes the appropriation of \$603,527,000 as follows:

Item	FY 2022-23		FY	FY 2023-24		Inc. / Dec.	% Inc. / Dec.
Pennsylvania State University - General Support	\$ 24	2,096	\$	242,096	\$	-	0.0%
Pennsylvania State University - Penn College of Technology	\$ 2	6,736	\$	29,971	\$	3,235	12.1%
The University of Pittsburgh - General Support	\$ 15	1,507	\$	151,507	\$	-	0.0%
The University of Pittsburgh - Rural Education Outreach	\$	3,346	\$	3,346	\$	-	0.0%
Temple University - General Support	\$ 15	8,206	\$	158,206	\$	-	0.0%
Lincoln University - General Support	\$ 1	5,166	\$	18,401	\$	3,235	21.3%
Total	\$ 59	7,057	\$	603,527	\$	6,470	1.1%
dollars in thousands							

The legislation provides that payments to the universities are made on a monthly basis.

The legislation requires the University of Pittsburgh to only use its appropriation for costs directly related to the provision of instruction for graduate and undergraduate students and costs incurred in providing student-related services and community outreach. It also prohibits the University of Pittsburgh from using its appropriation for the costs of personnel and operations of an environmental law clinic.

The legislation authorizes the appropriation of moneys contained within the Agricultural College Land Scrip Fund restricted receipt account for Agricultural Research and Extension Services. Funds provided for in this account are appropriated as part of the General Appropriation Act.

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The legislation is scheduled to take effect immediately.

## FISCAL IMPACT

The enactment of House Bill 1461 will cost the Commonwealth \$603,527,000 in Fiscal Year 2023-24. The funding level represents an increase of \$6,470,000, or 1.1%, over the Fiscal Year 2022-23 budget.