

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. Senate Bill 141

PRINTER NO. 17

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

January 9, 2023

PRIME SPONSOR

Senator Mastriano

DESCRIPTION

Senate Bill 141 amends Chapter 37 of Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes to authorize the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (department) to award military decorations to civilians and members of a friendly foreign nation.

This legislation amends § 3701 (relating to authorized decorations, medals, badges and awards) of Title 51 to provide that the Pennsylvania Distinguished Service Medal and the Pennsylvania Meritorious Service Medal shall be awarded by the Governor to civilians and members of the military of a friendly foreign nation.

This act shall take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT:

According to the department, the estimated costs associated with presenting the above-mentioned medals would be minimal and capable of being accommodated within the agency’s current workload and budget.