

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. Senate Bill 979

PRINTER NO. 1206

AMOUNT

No Fiscal Impact

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

November 6, 2023

PRIME SPONSOR

Senator Culver

DESCRIPTION

Senate Bill 979 establishes a new Section 2336 (Posted notice with information on dangerous transmissible diseases) in Title 3 (Agriculture) to provide the Department of Agriculture (department) with the authority to require the posting of dangerous transmissible disease information at domestic animal and feed locations where animals and feed are offered for sale to the public.

This legislation is scheduled to take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT

The enactment of Senate Bill 979 will have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. The development of protocols regarding the posting of dangerous transmissible disease information at domestic animal and feed locations should be minimal and can be accomplished within the department's general government operations budget. For information purposes, the department's FY 2023-24 general government operations budget is \$43,361,000.