

FISCAL NOTE

June 21, 2023

Bill No:	SB 191	Printer's No:	89	Sponsor:	Sen. Hutchinson (R)
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COST / (SAVINGS)

Fund (s)	2021-22	2022-23
General Fund	See Below	See Below

SUMMARY: SB 191 will require the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) to construct and maintain all surface and subsurface drainage facilities connected with state highways within boroughs and towns with a population less than 2,500.

ANALYSIS: SB 191 would make PennDOT responsible for the maintenance and drainage systems in boroughs with populations less than 2500. The bill would place liability of these systems on the Commonwealth. With this liability, PennDOT would be required to survey all of these systems and be responsible for the life of these systems in addition to current responsibilities. These additional responsibilities may shift funds from completing other highway improvements.

FISCAL IMPACT: PennDOT estimates that SB 191 would cost \$487 million from the Motor License Fund in the first year of implementation for one-time replacement costs of qualifying municipalities. Ongoing maintenance will cost \$5 million annually based on costs derived from our current maintenance activities maintaining our areas of responsibility. The maintenance responsibility for repairs and operations of the system will incur an additional annualized cost of \$16 million a year over a period of 30 years at today's costs not to include inflation or additional upgrades made necessary by future environmental regulation changes. SB 191 will cost the Motor License Fund \$487 million in the first year and \$21 million annually thereafter with the possibility of higher costs.