

## **FISCAL NOTE**

May 2, 2019

| Bill No: SB 585 Printer's No: 653 Sponsor: |            |
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## COST / (SAVINGS)

| Fund (s)     | 2018-19             | 2019-20   |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------|
| General Fund | See "Fiscal Impact" | \$165,000 |

**SUMMARY:** This bill creates the Pennsylvania Diary Future Commission, housed under the Department of Agriculture.

**ANALYSIS:** This bill establishes the Pennsylvania Dairy Future Commission, with administrative support to be provided by the Department of Agriculture. The Commission is tasked with studying the Dairy industry in the Commonwealth, and the impact of legislation, regulations, local government, and market conditions on producers. The bulk of its members are appointed by the Governor and the General Assembly, with additional representation from Cabinet secretaries, academia and various centers studying rural Pennsylvania and the agriculture industry. The bill stipulates that members will not be compensated for sitting on the commission but will be reimbursed for travel and other necessary expenses.

Within one year of its creation, after holding public hearings and gathering information from varied stakeholders, the Commission is required to issue a report to the Governor and the General Assembly detailing its findings and recommendations.

This legislation takes effect 30 days after passage.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** While members of the Commission will not be compensated, the Department of Agriculture will incur annual costs in providing administrative support, detailed in the following table:

| Expense              | Cost      |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Supporting Staff     | \$ 90,000 |
| IT costs             | \$ 5,000  |
| Travel               | \$ 50,000 |
| Administrative Costs | \$ 20,000 |
| Total:               | \$165,000 |