

FISCAL NOTE

June 22, 2023

Bill No:	562	Printer's No:	570	Sponsor:	Sen. Langerholc (R)
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COST / (SAVINGS)

Fund (s)	2022-23	2023-24
General Fund	See Below	See Below

SUMMARY: SB 562 would exempt Blair, Cambria, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Lycoming, Mercer, and Westmoreland Counties from the vehicle emissions test program.

ANALYSIS: SB 562 directs the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to initiate the process of removing the above-mentioned counties from the enhanced vehicle emission inspection and maintenance program. DEP is to submit a revised state implementation plan to the US Environmental Protection Agency no later than January 1, 2024.

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) is responsible for the implementation of the state implementation plan and would be responsible for implementation of SB 562. Implementation of SB 562 would have an impact on existing businesses in those counties that perform the emission inspections. The emission test program is contracted with a vendor that provides program management services. Provisions of SB 562 would necessitate renegotiation of the contract due to the revenue loss of the removal. PennDOT would then be required to take on the increased workload of oversight in those counties and to complete all safety inspections in those counties.

FISCAL IMPACT: PennDOT notes a fiscal impact of \$39,000 to make necessary system changes. PennDOT would also require an additional 6 Motor Vehicle Program Inspectors at a cost of \$511,140 in the first year for staff and equipment then \$331,140 for staff each year thereafter.