

FISCAL NOTE

March 6, 2017

Bill No:	SB 133	Printer's No:	155	Sponsor:	Ward (R)
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COST / (SAVINGS)

Fund (s)	2016-17	2017-18
General Fund	See "FISCAL IMPACT"	See "FISCAL IMPACT"

SUMMARY: This bill would repeal Act 38 of 2012 (REAL ID Nonparticipation Act) and require the Department of Transportation (DOT) to file a request for an extension of time for the commonwealth to comply with the Federal REAL ID Act of 2005.

ANALYSIS: Senate Bill 133 would repeal the Pennsylvania Act 38 of 2012, also known as the REAL ID Nonparticipation Act, which prohibits the commonwealth's compliance with the Federal REAL ID Act of 2005. DOT would also be required to submit a written request to the United States Department of Homeland Security petitioning for an extension of time for the commonwealth to comply with the provisions of the Federal REAL ID Act. The amount of time requested would be at the discretion of the DOT secretary.

This act would be effective immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT: While there would be costs associated with ensuring all commonwealth state driver's licenses comply with the Federal standards imposed by the Federal REAL ID Act, the costs are unknown at this time. Although the commonwealth has made progress in making its state driver's licenses secure, further discussions with the United States Department of Homeland Security concerning additional requirements would be needed to meet REAL ID compliance. These discussions cannot occur until the commonwealth's REAL ID Nonparticipation Act is repealed.