

# **SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE**

**BILL NO.** Senate Bill 867

**PRINTER NO.** 1017

**AMOUNT**

No Fiscal Impact

**FUND**

General Fund

**DATE INTRODUCED**

July 17, 2023

**PRIME SPONSOR**

Senator Kearney

**DESCRIPTION**

Senate Bill 867 repeals and replaces the City Classification Law of 1895 to make updates and changes to the city classification process.

This bill maintains the Governor’s responsibility to certify that each city’s population advances, recedes or maintains its current classification as a result of a decennial census. In addition to the current process, the bill allows a city to maintain its current classification regardless of population, requires any city choosing to become a Second Class A city to adopt a home rule charter seeking that designation and provides a longer transition period into a change of class.

This legislation repeals the City Classification Law of 1895, and all classification decisions would remain until the next gubernatorial certification under this act.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Senate Bill 867 has no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds. There is no impact on municipal funds as a city will be able to remain in its current classification, unless chosen otherwise.