

150th GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL NOTE

BILL: HOUSE BILL NO. 16

SPONSOR: Representative Briggs King

DESCRIPTION: AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 21 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO

EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

Assumptions:

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.

- 2. This Act would add the Department of Correction (DOC), Bureau of Prisons (BOP) and Bureau of Community Corrections (BCC) to the list of "authorized emergency vehicles."
- 3. While there are no costs associated with authorization, there are implementation costs of \$567,000 as the DOC intends to outfit and install emergency lights on a total of 189 vehicles and provide Emergency Vehicle Operator (EVO) training for 2,280 BOP and BCC staff at a cost of \$57,000.
- 4. Implementation costs to outfit the 189 vehicles include utilizing the Office of Management of Budget, Fleet Services to purchase and install the emergency lights at an estimated cost of \$3,000 per vehicle.
- 5. The Department plans to equip all 189 vehicles over the span of three years. This would result in the outfit and installation of 63 vehicles, totaling \$189,000, per year. Equipment and installation would total approximately \$567,000.
- 6. The Department plans to have its 1,786 BOP and 494 BCC staff complete EVO training offered by the Delaware State Fire School, at a cost of \$25 per person, over the span of three years. This would result in the training of 760 staff, totaling \$19,000, per year. Training would total approximately \$57,000.
- 7. The DOC is working to secure a reduced tuition rate for staff to complete the EVO, but it is not assumed in this fiscal note.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2020: \$208,000 Fiscal Year 2021: \$208,000 Fiscal Year 2022: \$208,000

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