BILL:	**SENATE BILL NO. 171**
SPONSOR:	Senator Poore
DESCRIPTION:	**AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 16 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO URGENT CARE FACILITIES.**

Assumptions:

1. This Act shall take effect at the earlier of 180 days following signature by the Governor or 90 days after final regulations specified under Title 16 §1003B are published in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act.

2. This Act seeks to amend Title 16 of the Delaware Code in order to regulate urgent care facilities.

3. This Act requires urgent care facilities, new and existing, to obtain a license from the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS). This license also requires all urgent care facilities to be accredited by an approved accreditation body or be in the process of seeking accreditation. Additionally, the Act requires each urgent care facility in the State of Delaware to enroll in the Delaware Health Information Network (DHIN) to further facilitate a patient's coordination of care.

4. The DHSS's Division of Health Care Quality, Office of Health Facilities Licensing and Certification, has determined a need for 1.0 FTE Compliance Nurse for implementation of this Act. This position would be responsible for statewide licensure, monitoring and regulatory compliance of urgent care facilities in Delaware. The estimated cost for the staff includes salary, other employment costs (OEC's), health insurance, administrative and one-time costs. Funding to establish this position will be General Funds with the potential to be supplemented by ASF as monies are collected from the licensure process.

   a. Salary, OEC's and Health Insurance: $87,628
   b. Ongoing costs of $13,150 include Fleet Rental, Space Rental, Network Costs and Supplies
   c. One-time costs of $2,900 include Furniture and Technology expenses

Cost:

	Ongoing	One-time
Fiscal Year 2020:	$50,389 (six months)	$2,900
Fiscal Year 2021:	$100,778	
Fiscal Year 2022:	$100,778	

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