

147TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FISCAL NOTE

BILL:	SENATE BILL NO. 183
SPONSOR:	Senator Marshall
DESCRIPTION:	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. Fiscally effective for the academic year beginning September 2014.
2. Entitled "The Tuition Equity Act", this legislation will allow non-United States citizens to pay the in-state, resident tuition and fee rates at Delaware public higher education institutions provided they: (1) are under age thirty-five and entered the country prior to age eighteen; (2) attended a Delaware high school for at least three years and graduated from a Delaware high school; and (3) are not a convicted felon.
3. This Act also clarifies that non-United States citizens eligible for in-state, resident tuition and fee rates are also eligible for the SEED and INSPIRE scholarships if the student meets the eligibility requirements for the respective scholarships.
4. The cost estimate is based on the following:
 - a. 11 undocumented students attending the Associate in Arts Program at the University of Delaware will be impacted;
 - b. Annual tuition is \$3,770 with inflation growth of 3% in the out-years; and
 - c. Each eligible student will receive the maximum SEED award as undocumented students are unable to receive federally-funded financial aid.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2015	11 students x \$3,770	\$41,470
Fiscal Year 2016	11 students x \$3,883	\$42,713
Fiscal Year 2017	11 students x \$3,999	\$43,989

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(Amounts are shown in whole dollars)