

149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL NOTE

BILL: HOUSE BILL NO. 33

SPONSOR: Representative Briggs King

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

EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

Assumptions:

1. This Act would become effective upon enactment by the General Assembly.

- 2. This Act would add the Department of Correction, Bureau of Prisons and Bureau of Community Corrections to the list of "authorized emergency vehicles" and authorize the Department to outfit these vehicles with emergency lights.
- 3. While there are no costs associated with authorization, there are implementation costs of \$349,000 as the Department of Correction intends to outfit and install emergency lights on a total of 110 vehicles and provide instructor level training for 13 Officers.
- 4. Implementation costs to outfit the 110 vehicles include utilizing the Office of Management and Budget, Fleet Services to purchase and install the emergency lights at an estimated cost of \$3,000 per vehicle. Fleet Services would most likely roll these associated costs into the monthly lease costs for the vehicle, which would vary based on the remaining life of the vehicle at the time of installation.
- 5. The Department plans to equip all 110 vehicles over the span of 4 years, with the first 3 years being dedicated entirely to Bureau of Prison vehicles and year 4 being dedicated to Bureau of Community Correction vehicles. The Department intends to equip 14 vehicles in year 1, 10 vehicles in year 2, 13 vehicles in year 3, and 73 vehicles in year 4. Equipment and installation would total approximately \$330,000.
- 6. In addition to the costs associated with the lights and installation, the Department would need to train 13 Officers in a Train the Trainer Emergency Vehicle Operators Course (EVOC) at a total of approximately \$19,000 for Fiscal Year 2018.
- 7. Lastly, it is assumed that the Department could share existing training facilities with local law enforcement agencies until a more permanent one is established.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2018: \$ 61,000 Fiscal Year 2019: \$ 33,000 Fiscal Year 2020: \$ 39,000 Fiscal Year 2021: \$ 219,000

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