

149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL NOTE

BILL: SENATE BILL NO. 49

SPONSOR: Senator Townsend

DESCRIPTION: AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 6 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO

HOMELESS PERSONS.

Assumptions:

1. This Bill would become effective 90 days after its enactment.

- 2. This Bill creates a "Homeless Individuals Bill of Rights", providing for the protection for individuals experiencing homelessness from discrimination while in public places, while seeking access to housing, employment, or temporary shelter.
- 3. This Bill empowers the State Division of Human Relations and the State Human Relations Commission authority to investigate and enforce the Bill of Rights.
- 4. The Division estimates a one-time fiscal impact of \$26,000 for a Contract attorney (equivalent to a State Deputy Attorney General III position whose average salary and benefits total \$52 per hour) for 500 hours, to assist in drafting regulations related to the Bill of Rights and \$3,000 in ongoing training and educational costs for Human Relations Representatives on the new law.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2017 \$26,000 (one-time)

Fiscal Year 2018 \$3,000 Fiscal Year 2019 \$3,000

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