150th GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE

BILL:	**SENATE BILL NO. 65**
SPONSOR:	**Senator Pettyjohn**
DESCRIPTION:	**AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 19 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE FOCUS ON ALTERNATIVE SKILLS TRAINING PROGRAM.**

Assumptions:

1. This Act shall take effect upon signature by the Governor and will be implemented no later than one year from enactment.

2. This Act establishes the Focus on Alternative Skills Training Program (FAST), within the Delaware Department of Labor's Employment and Training Division. The program will provide tuition assistance of up to $9,000, to residents who have obtained a high school diploma, Diploma of Alternate Achievement Standards, or a Delaware secondary credential, which includes earning a GED, and have enrolled in an approved non-degree credit certificate program within 18-months of graduation from a Delaware high school.

3. The Workforce Development Board will create and maintain a list of non-degree credit certificate programs approved for the FAST program.

4. This Act identifies up to $1,000,000 in available General Funds for the program's implementation and makes tuition awards subject to the availability of funds.

5. The Delaware Department of Labor's Employment and Training Division anticipates the need for two contractual positions at a total annual cost of $110,000 to assist in administering the program.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2020: $0 (assumes implementation one year after enactment)

Fiscal Year 2021: $1,000,000

Fiscal Year 2022: $1,000,000

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