



**150th GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL:	HOUSE BILL NO. 173
AS AMENDED BY:	HA 1
SPONSOR:	Representative Schwartzkopf
DESCRIPTION:	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 11 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO PRISONS AND PRISONERS.

Assumptions:

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.
2. This Act makes changes to the Adult Correction Healthcare Review Committee and provides for the following:
 - a. for administrative and budgetary purposes places the Committee within the Criminal Justice Council;
 - b. adds the Chief of the Bureau of Correctional Healthcare Services, the Chairperson of the House Corrections Committee, and the Chairperson of the Senate Corrections and Public Safety Committee as non-voting ex-officio members;
 - c. expands the advisory capacity of the Committee to now include the Governor and the General Assembly and;
 - d. clarifies that State agencies and contractors who provide medical services to inmates must provide the information requested by the Committee.
3. The Delaware Criminal Justice Council (CJC) is the State Administering Agency responsible for comprehensive criminal justice planning and policy development.
4. The CJC is very familiar with the creation, administration, staffing and reporting of a number of councils, committees, and subcommittees. The CJC has indicated that the majority of its subcommittees and more than 95% of its programmatic staff are federally funded and therefore are required to work on federal projects. The CJC believes that in order to properly staff the Adult Corrections Healthcare Review Committee that it would require 1.0 FTE Criminal Justice Coordinator to be consistent with the current staff that administers committees.
 - The annual cost for 1.0 FTE Criminal Justice Planning Coordinator is \$98,403. This includes salary, health insurance, and other employment costs.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2020:	\$82,003 (10-month cost)
Fiscal Year 2021:	\$98,403
Fiscal Year 2022:	\$98,403

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