151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE

BILL:	**SENATE BILL NO. 53**
SPONSOR:	**Senator Lawson**
DESCRIPTION:	**AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 16 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO CRIMINAL VIOLENCE RISK ASSESSMENT.**

Assumptions:

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.

2. This Act requires the Secretary of the Department of Health and Social Service (DHSS), Commissioner of the Department of Correction (DOC), the Secretary for the Department of Safety and Homeland Security (DSHS), and the Secretary for the Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families (DSCYF) to establish and maintain a process for the linking and sharing of data between certain State agencies, and to construct and implement a criminal violence risk assessment tool, to increase collaboration and coordination of comprehensive services to individuals at highest risk of violence involvement.

3. This Act also provides for the DHSS, DOC, DSHS, and DSCYF to cooperatively adopt regulations for implementing the process to link and share data among certain State agencies and construct and implement a criminal violence risk assessment tool.

4. Under 29 Del. C. § 9006C, State agencies must submit a business case to the Department of Technology and Information (DTI) to approve of any agency information technology initiative before work may begin. A business case supports planning and decision making for information technology (IT) projects within the organization, including deciding whether to buy, build, or integrate, which vendor/product to choose, and when to implement.

5. While the State collects and possesses various types of criminal justice data, without further discussion regarding the risk assessment tool among the impacted agencies, it is unclear how much of this data can or would need to be integrated into the risk assessment development tool.

6. A cost estimate for creating, designing, and implementing a risk assessment tool is difficult to determine. Until the impacted State agencies can begin meeting to discuss the variables surrounding the data sharing process and the design and implementation of the criminal risk assessment tool to submit a business case for DTI, the costs associated with this Act are indeterminable.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2022: Indeterminable
Fiscal Year 2023: Indeterminable
Fiscal Year 2024: Indeterminable

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