



151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL NOTE

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**BILL:** HOUSE BILL NO. 129  
**SPONSOR:** Representative K. Williams  
**DESCRIPTION:** AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO EDUCATION.

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**Assumptions:**

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.
2. This Act requires high needs elementary schools, including high needs charter schools, to have school-based health centers (SBHCs).
3. This Act requires the State to bear the start-up costs for SBHCs at a rate of two high needs elementary school SBHCs per fiscal year until such time as all applicable high needs elementary schools are in compliance.
4. This Act allows for reimbursement of costs associated with SBHCs already established in high needs elementary schools.
5. The State has provided one-time funding for start-up costs of SBHCs in public high schools in the amount of \$5,000 per SBHC. These start-up costs are assumed to remain the same for all SBHCs.
6. The State currently provides annual funding for operations of SBHCs in public high schools at a base formula of \$170,000 per SBHC (based on a 1,000 student high school) with an additional allowance of \$100 per student over the 1,000 student threshold. Until further data is available on actual operational costs of elementary SBHCs, it is assumed that \$170,000 will be the annual operational funding requirement per elementary SBHC.
7. Based on the criteria of high needs elementary schools established in this Act, there is a minimum of 20 elementary schools currently eligible for SBHCs. At a rate of two SBHCs funded per year, it will take a minimum of 10 years for full implementation.

**Cost:**

	<u>One-Time Costs</u>	<u>On-Going Costs</u>	<u>Total Costs</u>
<b>Fiscal Year 2022:</b>	\$10,000	\$340,000	\$350,000
<b>Fiscal Year 2023:</b>	\$10,000	\$680,000	\$690,000
<b>Fiscal Year 2024:</b>	\$10,000	\$1,020,000	\$1,030,000

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