



151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL NOTE

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**BILL:** HOUSE BILL NO. 189  
**SPONSOR:** Representative Yearick  
**DESCRIPTION:** AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 15 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO REQUESTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT.

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**Assumptions:**

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.
2. This Act requires identification to be included with the statement an elector must prepare to request an absentee ballot.
3. This Act requires the Delaware Department of Elections to verify elector's identity if the required identification is not provided with the statement.
4. To fulfill the requirements of this Act, the Department of Elections anticipates the need for four additional contractual staff for an estimated annual total of 1,250 hours to cover the workload. Assuming an hourly rate of approximately \$20/hour, the Department of Elections anticipates the annual costs at \$25,000.

**Cost:**

Fiscal Year 2022: \$25,000  
Fiscal Year 2023: \$25,000  
Fiscal Year 2024: \$25,000

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