

151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY FEE IMPACT

BILL: HOUSE BILL NO. 232

SPONSOR: Representative Osienski

DESCRIPTION: AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 2 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO

AERONAUTICS.

In accordance with 29 Del. C. §913, the following information is provided relating to licenses and fees.

Description of the Legislation:

This Act requires that certain registered aircraft owners pay an annual fee and provides an exception for registered aircraft based at an airport in Delaware. The Department of Transportation is directed to collect fees and deposit the funds into the Transportation Trust Fund.

Affected Entities:

The affected entities of this Act will consist of owners of aircraft registered in the State of Delaware and the Department of Transportation.

Fiscal Impact:

The fiscal impact of this Act will be an increase in revenue. This Act requires certain aircraft owners to pay an annual fee. The Department of Transportation shall collect the following aircraft fees:

- 1. For single engine aircraft, \$25.
- 2. For multi-engine and turboprop aircraft, \$50.
- 3. For jet aircraft, \$100.
- 4. For helicopters, \$50
- 5. For Federal Aviation Administration registered ultralights, \$10.

The Department of Transportation may not collect a state aircraft fee for any of the following:

- 1. Hot air balloons.
- 2. A public aircraft.
- 3. An unmanned aircraft that is under 55 pounds.
- 4. An unpowered glider.

The Department of Transportation estimates that the new fees will result in \$414,700 of additional revenue per year.

Intended Use of Revenue:

The additional revenue will be deposited to the Transportation Trust Fund and used to support the Department of Transportation's responsibilities concerning aviation in the State of Delaware.

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