



**151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL: HOUSE BILL NO. 351
SPONSOR: Representative Morrison
DESCRIPTION: AN ACT TO AMEND TITLES 11 AND 15 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR CANDIDATES FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Assumptions:

1. Upon the signature of the Governor, this Act takes effect January 1, 2023.
2. This Act requires candidates for either House of the General Assembly to obtain a criminal background check.
3. This Act requires the Department of Elections (Department) to receive all candidates' criminal history background checks and determine that the individual is qualified under the Delaware Constitution before being considered a candidate.
4. To implement the provisions of this Act, the Department anticipates the need for one casual/seasonal Administrative Specialist II position and associated personnel costs of \$14,035 for the peak filing period of January through July.
5. Costs are assumed to increase at a rate of 2% annually.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2023: \$0
Fiscal Year 2024: \$14,035
Fiscal Year 2025: \$14,315

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