



**149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL: HOUSE BILL NO. 46
SPONSOR: Representative Miro
DESCRIPTION: AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO DNA ANALYSIS AND DATA BANK.

Assumptions:

1. This Act would become effective upon the receipt of a federal grant to the State pursuant to the Katie Sepich Enhanced DNA Collection Act of 2012, or upon a specific annual appropriation in the Annual Appropriations Act.
2. This Act would require that any person arrested of a crime related to sexual offenses, or offenses relating to children and incompetents must submit to DNA testing. This Act would also require testing of any individual who is currently incarcerated and convicted of a violent felony under Title 11.
3. The Statistical Analysis Center estimates a total of 6,225 samples would be taken yearly by law enforcement for qualifying offenses at the time of arrest.
4. The Division of Forensic Sciences (DFS) estimates a cost of \$130,000 in Personnel Costs and 2.0 FTEs and an additional \$277,800 in Supplies.
 - a. Assuming that most or all presented samples would be analyzed, 2.0 FTE Forensic DNA Analysts are required to cover anticipated increases in sample tests for a cost of \$130,000 including OECs.
 - b. Additional testing consumables of \$228,000 include capillary arrays, well plates, adhesive seals, amplification kits and other supplies.
 - c. Buccal swab kits vary in cost depending on the vendor and other kit specifics. This estimate assumes a cost of roughly \$8.00 per kit totaling \$49,800 for the 6,225 kits needed per year.
5. Additional training for law enforcement may be necessary, but is not assumed in this fiscal note.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2018:	\$407,800
Fiscal Year 2019:	\$407,800
Fiscal Year 2020:	\$407,800

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