

## 152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL NOTE

BILL: HOUSE SUBSTITUTE NO. 1 FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 114

SPONSOR: Representative Harris

DESCRIPTION: AN ACT TO AMEND TITLES 16 AND 25 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO

**RECOVERY HOUSING.** 

## **Assumptions:**

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature of the Governor and will be implemented eighteen months from the date of enactment.

- 2. This Act amends Title 16 of the Delaware Code relating to licensing and accreditation of recovery houses. The Act institutes a voluntary certification process for recovery houses that uphold evidence-based best practices and support a safe, healthy, and effective recovery environment.
- 3. The Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health (DSAMH), will be responsible for the authorization and contracting of a certifying organization. The contracted organization will establish, operate, and maintain the certification of recovery residences in the state.
- 4. Per DSAMH, an estimated \$400,000 in annual contractual funding will be required to implement the requirements of this Act.
- 5. It is assumed that funding will be required upon signature in order for DSAMH and the contracted organization to build the necessary infrastructure for implementation to occur immediately upon the eighteen-month enactment.

## Cost:

Fiscal Year 2024: \$400,000 Fiscal Year 2025: \$400,000 Fiscal Year 2026: \$400,000

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