



**152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL: SENATE BILL NO. 166
SPONSOR: Senator Walsh
DESCRIPTION: AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 4 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.

Assumptions:

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.
2. This Act allows for the delivery of alcoholic liquors from a restaurant, brewpub, tavern, taproom, or other entity with a valid on-premise license.
3. Delaware currently has 1,081 on-premise licensee establishments. This Act would require the Division of Alcohol and Tobacco Enforcement (DATE) to enhance its compliance and investigative operation regarding the additional license of third-party deliverers from these on-premise establishments. Such operations would include focusing on underage access, ID checking, verifying the volume of sales and distribution, over-service, prohibited delivery locations, properly securing alcohol during such deliveries, and ensuring that orders delivered in Delaware only come from Delaware establishments.
4. The DATE estimates it would need 1.0 FTE, Alcohol & Tobacco Enforcement Agent III, to perform compliance and enforcement duties. The DATE's estimated costs for Fiscal Year 2024 are \$93,978 and one-time costs of \$28,712 and are as follows:
 - a. The Fiscal Year 2024 personnel costs, including OECs at a rate of 32.25%, for the Alcohol & Tobacco Enforcement Agent III are estimated at \$87,978, and one-time funding of \$28,712 for projected technology equipment, furniture costs, uniform, radio, weapon, and other equipment needs related to the startup of the position.
 - b. \$6,000 estimated to support annual costs for Fleet Services needs relating to the position.
5. Lastly, the Fiscal Year 2024 personnel costs have been estimated for nine months of funding, with the annualization of the remaining three months incorporated into the subsequent year estimates. Additionally, a 2% inflation cost has been included for projected increases in salary and OECs.

Cost:

	<u>One-Time</u>	<u>Operating/Recurring</u>
Fiscal Year 2024:	\$28,712	\$93,978
Fiscal Year 2025:		\$125,650
Fiscal Year 2026:		\$128,043

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