149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE

BILL:	**HOUSE BILL NO. 150**
SPONSOR:	**Representative Longhurst**
DESCRIPTION:	**AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE COMMISSION ON DELAWARE AFRICAN AND CARIBBEAN AFFAIRS.**

Assumptions:

1. This Bill shall become effective upon the signature of the Governor.

2. This Bill creates a seven (7) member, Delaware African and Caribbean Affairs Commission. The Commission will fall under the authority of the Secretary of State for the purpose promoting the interests, culture and historical heritage, socioeconomic relationships, and general welfare of people of African and Caribbean descent who reside in the State.

3. According to the Department of State, average direct expenses for such a commission include the cost of business cards for members, in-state travel expenses, and meeting costs. Indirect costs include shared office space, supplies, equipment, and the potential for some contractual staff support for meetings and projects.

4. The Commission on Indian Heritage, a similarly positioned commission under the Department of State, is used as a proxy to estimate the above expenses of roughly $1,000 for first year start-up costs, with the potential for an increase to $2,500 in subsequent years, once the Commission is fully established.

5. This estimate does not include any additional programmatic costs the Commission may choose to incur associated with project grants, promotions, and attendance at out-of-state conferences and does not reflect any additional spending the Commission might request in future years.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2018	$1,000
Fiscal Year 2019	$2,500
Fiscal Year 2020	$2,500

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