149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE

BILL:	**SENATE BILL NO. 49**
SPONSOR:	**Senator Townsend**
DESCRIPTION:	**AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 6 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO HOMELESS PERSONS.**

Assumptions:

1. This Bill would become effective 90 days after its enactment.

2. This Bill creates a "Homeless Individuals Bill of Rights", providing for the protection for individuals experiencing homelessness from discrimination while in public places, while seeking access to housing, employment, or temporary shelter.

3. This Bill empowers the State Division of Human Relations and the State Human Relations Commission authority to investigate and enforce the Bill of Rights.

4. The Division estimates a one-time fiscal impact of $26,000 for a Contract attorney (equivalent to a State Deputy Attorney General III position whose average salary and benefits total $52 per hour) for 500 hours, to assist in drafting regulations related to the Bill of Rights and $3,000 in ongoing training and educational costs for Human Relations Representatives on the new law.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2017	$26,000 (one-time)
Fiscal Year 2018	$3,000
Fiscal Year 2019	$3,000

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