149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE

BILL:	**Senate Substitute No. 1 for SENATE BILL NO. 76**
SPONSOR:	**Senator Walsh**
DESCRIPTION:	**AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO STATE PROCUREMENT.**

Assumptions:

1. The Bill becomes effective upon the signature of the Governor.

2. The Bill requires that contractors and subcontractors, bidding on State capital projects that meet the requirement of State prevailing wage statutes, provide craft training for journeyman and apprentice levels through an approved and registered State Department of Labor or US Department of Labor program.

3. This Bill requires the State Department of Labor promulgate the regulations identifying those crafts that will be subject to craft training requirements.

4. This Bill does not make the craft training program a requirement for:

   a) Contractors or subcontractors for new Capital projects that do not meet the State's prevailing wage threshold;

   b) Contractors for renovation projects under $250,000 in aggregate;

   c) Subcontractors for renovation projects under $100,000 in aggregate;

   d) Federal highway projects.

5. This fiscal analysis estimates the initial need for two (2) casual/seasonal positions at a rate of $13/hour, working 30 hours per week, for 42 weeks at a salary and OECs cost of $17,907 per position to assist in verifying out-of-state and federally certified apprenticeship programs for applicable statewide construction projects. It is assumed a database will be created identifying certified programs that may be used for future bid consideration, whose maintenance will be the responsibility of the Agency(s).

6. Research that attempts to identify the cost effect of requiring apprenticeship programs are often inconsistent and/or unreliable, with the primary challenge being identifying a "control group." As such, no determinations are made in this analysis on these impacts or their effect on cost increases or decreases for State construction projects.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2018: $35,814 (ALL FUNDS) - 1 GF ($17,907), 1 TTF ($17,907) Casual/Seasonal
Fiscal Year 2019: $35,814 (ALL FUNDS) - 1 GF ($17,907), 1 TTF ($17,907) Casual/Seasonal
Fiscal Year 2020: $35,814 (ALL FUNDS) - 1 GF ($17,907), 1 TTF ($17,907) Casual/Seasonal

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