

152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL NOTE

BILL: HOUSE BILL NO. 290

SPONSOR: Representative Morrison

DESCRIPTION: AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 RELATING TO THE STUDENT EXCELLENCE

EQUALS DEGREE ACT.

Assumptions:

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.

- 2. This Act allows a student who has been convicted of a violent felony to qualify for or maintain eligibility for, a Student Excellence Equals Degree (SEED) scholarship so long as the other qualifying eligibility criteria are met.
- 3. According to University of Delaware, there are not currently any enrolled students who would now be eligible for a SEED scholarship upon enactment of this Bill.
- 4. According to Delaware Technical Community College, it is estimated that less than five students annually would now be eligible for a SEED scholarship upon enactment of this Bill.
- 5. The average annual SEED scholarship award amount is approximately \$2,805 per participant.
- 6. It is assumed that upon enactment, additional students will be eligible to receive a SEED scholarship. Because there is not sufficient data available to project increased participation in the SEED program, the fiscal impact is indeterminable.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2025: Indeterminable Fiscal Year 2026: Indeterminable Indeterminable

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