



**152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL NOTE**

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| <b>BILL:</b>        | <b>HOUSE BILL NO. 21</b>  |
| <b>SPONSOR:</b>     | <b>Representative Spiegelman</b>  |
| <b>DESCRIPTION:</b> | <b>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT OF AGENCY REGULATIONS.</b> |

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**Assumptions:**

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.
2. This Act creates a 10-member Joint Committee on Oversight of Agency Regulations ("the Committee"), to engage in review and oversight of regulations adopted by state agencies. The Committee is made up of five members of the Senate and five members of the House of Representatives.
3. This Act requires that the General Assembly appropriate all funds necessary to carry out the Committee's purpose.
4. This Act sets compensation of the Committee members, the chair, and the vice-chair as follows:
  - a. Chair and Vice Chair receive annual compensation of \$4,670.
  - b. Members receive annual compensation of \$3,929.Total costs associated with compensation of committee members is estimated at \$54,202 annually, including other employment costs at a rate of 32.94%.
5. This Act requires the Division of Research to provide staff support to the Committee. Upon implementation, the Division of Research will require additional staffing and associated funding as follows:
  - a. 7.0 FTEs, including 2.0 FTE Attorneys, 4.0 FTE Research Analysts, and 1.0 Administrative Assistant. Associated personnel funding is estimated in the amount of \$775,596 annually, including other employment costs at a rate of 32.94%.
  - b. Ongoing operational costs including supplies and contractual services (software licensing, phone lines, etc.) are estimated at \$9,450 annually.
  - c. One-Time startup costs associated with the new positions, including computers and workstations are estimated at \$49,000.
6. First year personnel costs are estimated at nine (9) months of funding. Future year personnel costs are assumed to increase at a rate of 2% annually.

**Cost:**

|                          | <b>One-Time Costs</b> | <b>Ongoing Costs</b> |
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| <b>Fiscal Year 2025:</b> | \$49,000              | \$645,349            |
| <b>Fiscal Year 2026:</b> |                       | \$855,844            |
| <b>Fiscal Year 2027:</b> |                       | \$872,772            |

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