



**152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL: HOUSE BILL NO. 344
SPONSOR: Representative Ramone
DESCRIPTION: AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 15 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Assumptions:

1. This Act becomes effective upon the signature of the Governor and will become effective for all elections occurring after December 31, 2023.
2. This Act requires the Department of Elections (Elections) to utilize a randomized alphabetical order system for voting ballots.
3. Elections estimates that education campaigns and materials necessary to notify the public of the change are approximately \$250,000 per election cycle for at least two election cycles. Funding for advertising is typically provided to Elections through the one-time supplemental legislation.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2025: \$250,000
Fiscal Year 2026: 0
Fiscal Year 2027: \$250,000

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