153rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE

BILL:	**HOUSE BILL NO. 190**
SPONSOR:	**Representative Minor-Brown**
DESCRIPTION:	**AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO GRANTS-IN-AID.**

Assumptions:

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor. Upon signature, this Act becomes effective on January 1 following enactment.

2. This Act codifies eligibility for Grant-in-Aid applications, codifies rules for use of Grant-in-Aid funding, and creates a six-member Grant-in-Aid Subcommittee ("Subcommittee").

3. The Subcommittee is composed of three members of the Senate and three members of the House. The Subcommittee will review and analyze all new Grant-in-Aid applicants and may annually review any current Grant-in-Aid recipients for program efficacy and compliance with the conditions of prior grants and general Grant-in-Aid eligibility requirements. The Subcommittee will provide a final report and make recommendations to the Joint Finance Committee each year by the third Monday of May.
    a. The Subcommittee members will receive compensation at the same rate as the Joint Legislative Oversight and Sunset Committee, as follows:
        i. Chair and vice chair receive annual compensation of $4,670.
        ii. Members receive annual compensation of $3,929.
        iii. Total costs associated with compensation of committee members are estimated at $31,856 annually, including other employment costs (OECs) at a rate of 27.14%.
    b. Subcommittee operating and ancillary expenses (supplies, technology services, etc.) are estimated at $3,500 annually.

4. This Act requires the Office of the Controller General (OCG) to provide staff support to the GIA Committee. Upon implementation, the OCG will require additional staffing and funding as follows:
    a. 1.0 FTE, Administrative Management, and associated personnel funding estimated at $147,919 annually, including OECs at a rate of 33.34%.
    b. Ongoing operational costs, including supplies, contractual services, and grants management system licenses for GIA Committee members, estimated at $4,985 annually.
    c. One-time startup costs, including employee workstation, computer, equipment, etc., is estimated at $7,000.

d. Additional office space will be required to accommodate the additional staff. It is assumed that existing space in legislative buildings will be allocated, but one-time relocation expenses and minor capital costs may be incurred. However, until space is identified, and a relocation plan is established, these costs are indeterminable.

5. 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:

	One-Time	Ongoing
Fiscal Year 2026:	$7,000	$135,352
Fiscal Year 2027:		$191,855
Fiscal Year 2028:		$195,523

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