



**153rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL:	SENATE SUBSTITUTE NO. 1 FOR SENATE BILL 67
SPONSOR:	Senator Hoffner
DESCRIPTION:	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 16 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE BACKGROUND CHECK CENTER.

Assumptions:

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.
2. This Act amends Title 16 of the Delaware Code related to the Department of Health and Social Services' (DHSS) Background Check Center (BCC) and allows an applicant's criminal history report obtained through the criminal screening process to be valid for any prospective employer for a period of one year.
3. The DHSS' Division of Health Care Quality (DHCQ) will require necessary technology changes once the new BCC system goes live to comply with this legislation.
 - a. One-time costs to implement system changes, including configuration and development costs, testing, and project management, are anticipated at \$90,350.
 - b. DHCQ intends to absorb half of these costs with established funding allocated for anticipated system updates. The remaining \$45,175 in one-time funding will be needed to implement this Act.
4. The Delaware State Police, State Bureau of Identification (SBI), anticipates that there may be a need for programming changes or other criminal history record-related responsibilities to accommodate the requirements of this Act. At the time of this fiscal projection, the full technical design of these changes is being evaluated, and the cost estimates for future years are unknown.

Cost:

	<u>One-Time</u>	<u>Ongoing</u>
Fiscal Year 2027:	\$45,175	Indeterminable
Fiscal Year 2028:		Indeterminable
Fiscal Year 2029:		Indeterminable

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