153rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE

BILL:	**HOUSE SUBSTITUTE NO. 1 FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 440**
SPONSOR:	**Representative Harris**
DESCRIPTION:	**AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XVI OF THE DELAWARE CONSTITUTION RELATING TO CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.**

Assumptions:

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

2. This Act is the first leg of a constitutional amendment that would authorize proposed amendments to the Delaware Constitution to be submitted to the qualified electors of the State for approval at a general election in lieu of repassage by a subsequent General Assembly.

3. Per the Department of Elections, there may be costs associated with election administration costs associated with ballot preparation, publication of explanatory materials, voter education programming and election administration duties. The frequency and extent of such costs cannot be determined at this time and would depend upon the number and complexity of constitutional amendments submitted to voters in future election cycles.

4. There may be costs associated with preparing and disseminating a voter guide related to constitutional amendments submitted to qualified electors. Any resulting costs associated with the development, review, translation, publication and distribution of such materials are indeterminable at this time and would depend upon future implementation and the number of constitutional amendments presented to the electorate.

5. Costs associated with this Act are not expected until Fiscal Year 2029 or later.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2027:	Not applicable
Fiscal Year 2028:	Not applicable
Fiscal Year 2029:	Indeterminable

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