



**151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL:	HOUSE BILL NO. 375
SPONSOR:	Representative Bolden
DESCRIPTION:	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE RACIAL EQUITY CONSORTIUM.

Assumptions:

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.
2. This Act establishes the Racial Equity Consortium (the Consortium) for the purpose of studying and making recommendations to address the disparities and inequities faced by persons of color in this State.
3. This Act requires that Delaware State University provide staff support to the Consortium and requires a line-item funding allocation in the Annual Appropriations Act to the Consortium to support the operational services, research, and analysis carried out by Delaware State University.
4. This Act expires five years after enactment unless subsequently extended by subsequent action of the General Assembly.
5. Per Delaware State University, 3 FTEs would be dedicated to the Consortium along with 2-3 graduate students and 1-3 undergraduate students at any given time. Delaware State University provided an estimated cost for the support staff positions and it is assumed those positions included OECs at a rate of 33.11%.
6. Overall costs are assumed to increase at a rate of 2% annually.

Cost:

Fiscal Year 2022: \$350,000
Fiscal Year 2023: \$357,000
Fiscal Year 2024: \$364,140

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