



**153rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL NOTE**

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| <b>BILL:</b>        | <b>HOUSE BILL NO. 375</b>                                                                                    |
| <b>SPONSOR:</b>     | <b>Representative Morrison</b>                                                                               |
| <b>DESCRIPTION:</b> | <b>AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 13, TITLE 16, AND TITLE 21 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO GOVERNMENT RECORDS.</b> |

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**Assumptions:**

1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.
2. This Act must be implemented no later than one year after the effective date or earlier once notice is published by the Secretary of the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) and the Secretary of the Department of Transportation (DelDOT) in the Register of Regulations that final regulations have been promulgated.
3. This Act establishes a uniform gender designation to be used in government documents to include birth certificates, death certificates, driver's licenses, identification cards, and marriage license applications, licenses, and certificates.
4. The DHSS' Division of Public Health's (DPH) Office of Vital Statistics would engage in a contractual arrangement to develop and implement system changes to the Electronic Vital Records System (EVRS), including updates to the Birth, Death, Marriage, and Divorce modules, to implement the changes enacted by this legislation. Forms and processes outside the EVRS system may also be affected and require adjustments beyond EVRS's scope.
5. The DPH estimates one-time costs to initiate this contractual arrangement of \$163,462, with deliverables to include system updates, modifications, and testing to the notated modules. The DPH does not anticipate any ongoing costs associated with these changes.

**Cost:**

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| Fiscal Year 2027: | \$163,462 (one-time) |
| Fiscal Year 2028: | \$0                  |
| Fiscal Year 2029: | \$0                  |

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