



**153rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL:	SENATE BILL NO. 72
SPONSOR:	Senator Brown
DESCRIPTION:	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 16 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SYSTEMS.

Assumptions:

1. This Act becomes effective 90 days following signature by the Governor.
2. This Act requires the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS), Division of Public Health (DPH), to create a website where Delaware residents can access information related to the level(s) of Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) in public drinking water systems.
3. According to the DPH, one-time costs of \$250,000 will be incurred in order to create the new website with the capability to link to the Safe Drinking Water Information System (SDWIS) Database. Further, based on similar prior projects, the DPH's annual development and maintenance costs to the system are anticipated to be \$50,000 annually.
4. Per the DPH, in coordination with the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, non-appropriated special funds (NSF) from the PFAS Settlement Funds, which are intended to address public water systems in testing, treating, and mitigating PFAS contamination, will be used to cover the costs of the website creation, as well as the ongoing maintenance costs upon implementation of this Act.

Cost:

	<u>NSF One-Time</u>	<u>NSF Operating/Recurring</u>
Fiscal Year 2026:	\$250,000	\$0
Fiscal Year 2027:		\$50,000
Fiscal Year 2028:		\$50,000

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