



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 1003

PRINTER'S NO. 1760

PRIME SPONSOR: Martin

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25
Workers' Compensation Administration Fund	\$0	\$87,852,000

SUMMARY:

Makes appropriations to the Department of Labor and Industry and to the Office of Small Business Advocate for their duties related to the Workers' Compensation Act and the Pennsylvania Occupational Disease Act for the 2024/25 fiscal year.

ANALYSIS:

The bill makes two appropriations:

- To the Department of Labor and Industry, \$87.302 million is appropriated to administer the Workers' Compensation Act and the Pennsylvania Occupational Disease Act. This appropriation is made from the Worker's Compensation Administration Fund and is \$11.5 million more than in the 2023/24 fiscal year. The entire \$11.5 million increase is only to be used for information technology and associated costs related to the Workers' Compensation Automation and Integration merger.
- To the Office of Small Business Advocate under the Department of Community and Economic Development, \$550,000 is appropriated for the operations of the office. This funding is drawn from a restricted account within the Workers' Compensation Administration Fund. The appropriation is for the same amount as the 2023/24 fiscal year.

The act shall take effect July 1, 2024, or immediately, whichever is later.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The combined total of the two appropriations from the Workers' Compensation Administration Fund for the 2024/25 fiscal year is \$87,852,000.

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Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.