

FISCAL NOTE

May 11, 2022

Bill No:	SB 1037	Printer's No:	1545	Sponsor:	Sen. Regan (R)
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COST / (SAVINGS)

Fund (s)	2021-22	2022-23
General Fund	See Below	See Below

SUMMARY: Bill moves the Coroner’s Education Board from the Office of the Attorney General to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD). SB 1037 would establish Chapter 75 within Title 44. This would expand the Coroners’ Education Board to include training becoming the Coroners’ Education and Training Board. The powers and duties of the board will be to establish, implement, and administer the Coroner’s Education and Training Program from county coroners, chief deputy coroners, deputy coroners, and any other individual performing death investigations, regardless of job title and employment status.

ANALYSIS: Bill would bring the Coroners’ Education and Training Board into PCCD. The composition of the board and duties imposed are provided. This bill establishes the Coroners’ Education and Training Program and provides for continuing education and training requirements for coroners. Bill establishes the Coroners’ Education and Training Account as special restricted account within the General Fund with funds appropriated on a continuing basis. Funds in this account are for the purpose of financing education and training expenses, the costs of administering the program, reimbursements to counties and all other costs associated with the activities of the board and the implementation of the provisions of this bill.

FISCAL IMPACT: Two dollars from the fee for each death certificate will be deposited into the special restricted account. PCCD will reimburse counties expenses related to training to include living and travel expenses, regular wages and per diem of each coroner, chief deputy coroner, deputy coroner and anyone else that performs death investigations while attending training. Additionally, PCCD shall provide 100% of tuition for training.

PCCD estimates a cost of \$1 million annually for the training expenditures.