

# SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

**BILL NO.** Senate Bill 1005

**PRINTER NO.** 1450

**AMOUNT**

\$6,752,000

**FUND**

General Fund Restricted Account

**DATE INTRODUCED**

March 25, 2024

**PRIME SPONSOR**

Senator Martin

**DESCRIPTION**

Senate Bill 1005 appropriates \$6,752,000 from a restricted revenue account within the General Fund to the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) in the Office of the Attorney General for the 2024-25 fiscal year.

The OCA represents Pennsylvania utility consumers in matters before the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC), federal regulatory agencies and in state and federal court. The OCA is funded through a direct assessment on the companies that are under the jurisdiction of the PUC. No General Fund revenues are used to support OCA operations.

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

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Senate Bill 1005 will cost the restricted revenue account within the General Fund \$6,752,000 in the 2024-25 fiscal year. That funding amount is level with FY 2023-24 and is equal to the Governor’s proposed level.