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## sHB-6915 AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF SECOND-GENERATION ANTICOAGULANT RODENTICIDES.

# **OFA Fiscal Note**

#### State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Department of Energy and	GF - Cost	75,000	75,000
Environmental Protection			
State Comptroller - Fringe	GF - Cost	26,462	26,462
Benefits <sup>1</sup>			
Department of Energy and	GF - Revenue	Potential	Potential
Environmental Protection	Gain		

Note: GF=General Fund

#### Municipal Impact: None

# Explanation

The bill results in an annual cost to the state of approximately \$101,462, beginning in FY 26. The bill bans the use of certain rodenticides with some exceptions and requires the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) to report (by January 1, 2027) on various issues related to second-generation anticoagulant rodenticide use.

DEEP does not currently have the staff available to complete and enforce the provisions contained within the bill and would require one new full-time Environmental Analyst 2. The additional full-time position would result in an annual salary of \$65,000 (corresponding fringe benefits of \$26,462) and approximately \$10,000 in other expenses

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The fringe benefit costs for most state employees are budgeted centrally in accounts administered by the Comptroller. The estimated active employee fringe benefit cost associated with most personnel changes is 40.71% of payroll in FY 26.

(including a computer, cellphone, and supplies for monitoring and reporting).

Additionally, the bill makes a violation of the ban subject to a civil penalty of up to \$5,000 per violation, resulting in a potential revenue gain to the General Fund beginning in FY 26. The extent of the revenue gain depends on the number of violations and the amount of each fine collected.

## The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation and the amount of fines collected.