

# OFFICE OF FISCAL ANALYSIS

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AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN WILDLIFE ACTION PLANS.

## **OFA Fiscal Note**

### **State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection	GF - Cost	133,960	133,960
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits <sup>1</sup>	GF - Cost	56,022	56,022

Note: GF=General Fund

**Municipal Impact:** None

### **Explanation**

The bill makes various changes to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's (DEEP) non-harvested species wildlife diversity program.

**Section 1** results in a cost to the state of \$189,982, beginning in FY 27, associated with hiring a wildlife veterinarian to assist in overseeing the wildlife program, which is an expanded requirement of the bill. The cost includes an annual salary of \$133,960 and corresponding fringe benefits of \$56,022.

**Section 2** establishes the non-harvested species conservation program working group and does not result in a fiscal impact as DEEP has the expertise necessary to staff the working group.

**Section 3** clarifies how donations to the non-harvested program must

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<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 41.82% of payroll in FY 27.

be deposited and allocated and does not result in a fiscal impact.

***The Out Years***

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.