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AN ACT CONCERNING SMALL BUSINESS GUIDANCE
REGARDING INFECTIOUS DISEASE MITIGATION STRATEGIES
AND BEST PRACTICES FOR OPERATING DURING A PUBLIC
HEALTH EMERGENCY OR CIVIL PREPAREDNESS EMERGENCY.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 23 \$	FY 24 \$
Department of Economic & Community Development	GF - Cost	93,519	93,519
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits ¹	GF - Cost	37,903	37,903

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill results in an annualized cost of \$131,422 to the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) in order to provide assistance through its Office of Small Business Affairs on (1) infectious disease mitigation strategies and (2) best practices for operating during a declared public health or civil preparedness emergency.

DECD does not have expertise on public health and therefore would require a one FTE position with a background in public health at an annual cost of \$131,422 (\$93,519 in salary and \$37,903 in fringe costs) to assist small businesses with strategies and best practices.

¹The 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 40.53% of payroll in FY 23.

The Out Years

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