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AN ACT REQUIRING THE STUDY OF THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY  
IN THE STATE.

## AMENDMENT

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### **OFA Fiscal Note**

#### **State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 23 \$	FY 24 \$
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection	GF - Revenue Loss	240	240

Note: GF=General Fund

**Municipal Impact:** None

#### **Explanation**

The amendment prohibits the hand-harvesting of horseshoe crabs, while allowing for certain education and medical-related exemptions. This is expected to result in an annual revenue loss of \$240 since the 16 current license holders would not likely renew their hand-harvest endorsements issued by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP).

Also, the amendment subjects someone to a \$25 fine for each horseshoe crab in violation of the bill. As there have been no violations and no revenue associated with this penalty under current law, this provision is not anticipated to have a fiscal impact.

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