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AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF CHLORPYRIFOS ON GOLF COURSES AND NEONICOTINOIDS FOR NONAGRICULTURAL USE.

## AMENDMENT

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### **OFA Fiscal Note**

#### **State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 23 \$	FY 24 \$
Resources of the General Fund	GF - Revenue Gain	See Below	See Below
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection	GF - Cost	170,028	163,731
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits <sup>1</sup>	GF - Cost	68,912	66,360

Note: GF=General Fund

**Municipal Impact:** None

#### **Explanation**

The strike-all amendment prohibits: (1) using chlorpyrifos on golf courses or for cosmetic or nonagricultural uses and (2) selling, possessing, or using pesticides containing neonicotinoids under certain conditions.

Additionally, the strike-all amendment expands the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's (DEEP) enforcement authority to both bans. This would result in costs of \$170,028 in FY 23 and \$163,731

<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 40.53% of payroll in FY 23.

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in FY 24, plus fringe benefits, associated with hiring two new Environmental Analyst 2 positions and one Office Assistant to enforce the new pesticide ban as there is currently insufficient staff expertise within DEEP for this purpose.

These costs may be offset by revenue collected by fines from violations of the bill's provisions.

The annualized ongoing costs identified above would continue into the outyears subject to inflation. It should also be noted that a ban on the use of neonicotinoids, currently used to treat certain invasive insects on trees may result in significant costs in the outyears associated with tree restoration on state lands.

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