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AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTRONIC ADVERTISEMENTS BY
SKILLED TRADESPERSONS AND HOME IMPROVEMENT
CONTRACTORS.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 24 \$	FY 25 \$
Consumer Protection, Dept.	GF - Cost	71,851	71,582
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits ¹	GF - Cost	29,653	30,395

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill requires contractors and tradespersons to include their state license number in electronic, television, radio, and website advertising resulting in a total cost of \$101,504 in FY 24 and \$101,977 in FY 25 to the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP) and the State Comptroller.

To meet the requirements of the bill DCP will have to hire one special investigator for a salary and other expenses cost of \$71,851 in FY 24 and \$71,582 in FY 25, along with fringe benefits cost of \$29,653 in FY 24 and \$30,395 in FY 25. The bill expands DCP's regulatory oversight of over 60,000 occupational and home improvement licenses throughout the state resulting in the need for an additional position to be able to monitor compliance and investigate complaints and violations.

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 42.82% of payroll in FY 24.

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The Out Years

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