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AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SECTOR SPECIFIC SUBTARGETS FOR GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS.

## ***OFA Fiscal Note***

### ***State Impact:***

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 24 \$	FY 25 \$
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection	CC&PUCF - Potential Revenue Gain	See Below	See Below
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection	CC&PUCF - Cost	732,217	976,289

Note: CC&PUCF=Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control Fund

***Municipal Impact:*** None

### ***Explanation***

The bill results in a cost of \$732,217 in FY 24 and \$976,289 in FY 25 (and annually thereafter) to the Consumer Counsel and Public Utility Control (PUC) Fund within the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), along with a potential revenue gain, due to regulatory changes regarding greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

The bill requires DEEP to adopt certain GHG emissions regulations by January 1, 2025 and expands DEEP's related activities. It is anticipated that DEEP would require six new staff positions within the Bureau of Energy and Technology Policy (BETP), with a starting salary of \$79,994 each and \$82,721 in fringe benefits per person, to perform the bill's regulatory requirements.

**Section 1** may result in a revenue gain to the PUC Fund beginning in

FY 24 as it broadens DEEP's ability to issue civil penalties to include violations of laws that require greenhouse gas emissions reductions, including sector-specific subtargets. Penalties are: (1) up to up to \$1,000 for failing to file a registration or other required documents, and \$100 for each day the violation continues, and (2) up to \$25,000 each day for emitting a material in violation of the law.

The bill makes other changes that are not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact to the state or municipalities.

### ***The Out Years***

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation, the number of any violations enforced, and changes in employee wages and benefits.