

# OFFICE OF FISCAL ANALYSIS

Legislative Office Building, Room 5200  
Hartford, CT 06106 ◊ (860) 240-0200  
<http://www.cga.ct.gov/ofa>

sHB-5217

AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF CERTAIN RODENTICIDES.

## **OFA Fiscal Note**

### **State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 25 \$	FY 26 \$
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection	GF - Cost	79,000	66,000
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection	GF - Potential Cost	113,000	116,000
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits <sup>1</sup>	GF - Cost	At least 20,000	At least 27,000
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection	GF - Potential Revenue Gain	Potential	Potential

Note: GF=General Fund

**Municipal Impact:** None

### **Explanation**

The bill, which bans the use of certain rodenticides with some exceptions, is anticipated to result in a cost to the state of at least \$99,000 in FY 25 and \$93,000 in FY 26, and a potential revenue gain. The bill's reporting requirement may result in an additional state cost in FY 25 and FY 26.

It is anticipated that the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) will require one new full-time Environmental Analyst 2 to enforce the bill's ban. The associated partial year costs in FY 25 total an estimated \$99,000 (\$49,000 salary, \$20,000 fringe benefits

---

<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 41.25% of payroll in FY 25.

in the Office of the State Comptroller, and \$30,000 in other expenses including a vehicle). The full-year annualized costs are anticipated to be \$93,000 in FY 26 (\$65,000 salary, \$27,000 fringe benefits, and \$1,000 in other expenses).

The bill may additionally result in a cost in at least FY 25 and FY 26 associated with the requirement to report by January 1, 2026 on, among other topics, the potential effects of the ban, including impacts on raptor health. While the new Environmental Analyst 2 may be able to write the report, DEEP may choose to engage in thorough research and monitoring of raptor health. The department anticipates it would hire a State Veterinarian specializing in wildlife, at a cost of approximately \$147,000 in FY 25 (\$83,000 salary, \$34,000 fringe benefits, and \$30,000 in other expenses, including a vehicle) and \$162,000 in FY 26 (\$111,000 salary, \$46,000 fringe benefits, and \$5,000 in other expenses).

The bill makes a violation of the ban subject to a civil penalty of up to \$5,000 per violation, resulting in a potential revenue gain to the General Fund beginning in FY 25. The extent of the revenue gain depends on the number of violations and the amount of each fine collected.

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

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation and the amount of fines collected.