#### **OFFICE OF FISCAL ANALYSIS**

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AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF CERTAIN RODENTICIDES FOR THE PROTECTION OF HAWKS, RAPTORS AND OTHER WILDLIFE.

#### OFA Fiscal Note

### State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 23 \$	FY 24 \$
Department of Energy and	GF - Potential	62,351	60,042
Environmental Protection	Cost		
State Comptroller - Fringe	GF - Potential	25,271	24,335
Benefits <sup>1</sup>	Cost		

Note: GF=General Fund

### **Municipal Impact:** None

## **Explanation**

The bill prohibits the use of certain pesticides used for rodent control in state parks, wildlife refuges, forests, or conservancies, allowing for certain exemptions. It also requires the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection to: (1) encourage federal agencies in Connecticut to comply with the ban and, (2) adopt regulations on the use of these rodenticides.

To the extent the bill requires DEEP to enforce this new pesticide ban, it would result in annualized costs of \$60,042, plus fringe benefits, for a Wildlife Biologist to track the cases, health status, and outcome of impacted hawks, raptors and wildlife.

<sup>&</sup>lt;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.

# The Out Years

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