

FISCAL NOTE

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Bill No:	SB 691	Printer's No:	854	Sponsor:	Yaw
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COST / (SAVINGS)

Fund (s)	2022-23	2023-24
General Fund	See Fiscal Impact	See Fiscal Impact

SUMMARY: SB 691 renames the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to the Department of Environmental Services.

ANALYSIS: This bill amends the Conservation and Natural Resources Act to change the name of DEP. References to DEP in statute or regulation shall be deemed a reference to the Department of Environmental Services.

To minimize costs, DEP actions by the department such as licenses or contracts shall not be affected by the name change. DEP may continue to use their current name on items such as badges until existing supplies are exhausted.

DEP will change the name on its documents and materials on a schedule it deems appropriate. Signage and computer systems will be updated during routine maintenance.

SB 691 updates the name elsewhere in the statute. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT: DEP will be able to absorb costs for updates to things like signage or forms (due to their replacement during the normal course of business) but there are possible fiscal impacts that cannot be estimated at this time to update things outside of state government such as federal grant applications or bank accounts.