## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

2009-10 Legislative Session

# **FISCAL NOTE**

**HOUSE BILL: 786** 

PRINTER'S NO: 875

**PRIME SPONSOR:** George

As Amended by A01043

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY	FY 2008/09	FY 2009/10
Expenditure Increase/(Decrease):		
General Fund	\$0	\$0

### **OVERVIEW:**

House Bill 786 as amended establishes the State Energy Office (SEO) within the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and provides for its powers and duties.

This legislation shall take effect in 60 days.

## **ANALYSIS:**

The bill as amended removes the requirement that an advisory council be established and provides for additional duties of the SEO including:

- establishment of a Commonwealth liquid fuels reserve and programs;
- financial assistance:
- the capacity to receive appropriations and apply for and accept funding from any public or private source;
- the authority to make contracts and execute all instruments necessary or convenient for the purposes of this act; and
- the ability to carry out any act necessary or convenient to exercise the powers enumerated in this section or reasonably implied from those powers.

According to DEP, adoption of this legislation should have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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