



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS  
2009-10 Legislative Session

**FISCAL NOTE**

**HOUSE BILL:** 2342

**PRINTER'S NO:** 3702

**PRIME SPONSOR:** Hornaman

<b>FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY</b>	<b>FY 2009/10</b>	<b>FY 2010/11</b>
<b>Expenditure Increase/(Decrease):</b>		
General Fund	See Analysis	See Analysis
<b>Revenue Increase/(Decrease):</b>		
General Fund	See Analysis	See Analysis

**OVERVIEW:**

House Bill 2342 authorizes the Department of General Services, with the concurrence of the Department of Environmental Protection, to lease through a competitive process submerged lands in excess of 25 acres within Erie County, for the assessment, development, construction and operation of utility scale offshore wind, solar or kinetic energy generation facilities.

This act shall take effect immediately.

**ANALYSIS:**

According to the Department of General Services, there may be personnel costs for preparing and executing the leases, but those duties would be done by existing staff. The Department of Environmental Protection may also realize personnel costs. Both departments expect any costs associated with this legislation to be covered by revenues generated from the leases authorized in the bill. The revenues generated from the lease of submerged lands in this bill cannot be quantified at this time. According to the Department of Environmental Protection, enactment of this legislation will have economic and environmental benefits for the Commonwealth.

House Bill 2342 provides that all costs and fees incidental to the lease authorized by the bill shall be borne by the lessee, including the costs incurred by the Department of General Services and the Department of Environmental Protection, in the preparation, execution and review of the lease, nondisturbance agreements and related documents.

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