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AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF SINGLE-USE PLASTIC AND PAPER BAGS.

## AMENDMENT

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### ***OFA Fiscal Note***

#### ***State Impact:***

<b>Agency Affected</b>	<b>Fund-Effect</b>	<b>FY 20 \$</b>	<b>FY 21 \$</b>
Department of Energy and Environmental Protection; Consumer Protection, Dept.	GF - Potential Revenue Gain	Less than 2,500	Less than 2,500

Note: GF=General Fund

#### ***Municipal Impact:***

<b>Municipalities</b>	<b>Effect</b>	<b>FY 20 \$</b>	<b>FY 21 \$</b>
Various Municipalities	Potential Revenue Gain	Less than 2,500	Less than 2,500

### ***Explanation***

The bill, beginning January 1, 2020: (1) prohibits stores from providing or selling plastic single-use carryout bags, and (2) requires paper single-use carryout bags that a store provides to a customer to be 100% recyclable, have at least 40% post-consumer recycled content, conspicuously display "Please Reuse and Recycle This Bag" on the bag, or be a compostable bag.

The bill also provides municipalities, health districts, and the Departments of Consumer Protection (DCP) and Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) the authority to enforce its

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requirements. It subjects store owners or operators who violate these requirements to receive a warning for a first violation. The second and subsequent violations are subject to \$250 fines.

It is estimated that less than \$5,000 annually will be generated from violations of the bill's provisions. The bill requires half of any fine imposed by a municipality or health district to be kept by the municipality where the violation occurred. The other half would be split between DCP and DEEP.

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