Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	SB49	9					
	House of Origin	\boxtimes	Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed	
	Second House		In Committee		Substitute		Enrolled	
2.	Patron: L	ewis						
3.	Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources							
4.	Title: Life cycle of renewable energy facilities; report.							
5.	Summary: Directs the Department of Energy, in consultation with the Department of Environmental Quality, to analyze the life cycle of renewable energy facilities and to report its findings to the Governor and the Chairs of the House Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources and the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources no later than December 1, 2022.							
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: See Item 8, below							
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See item 8.							
8.	Fiscal Implications: Based on past studies carried out by the agency, the Department of Energy (DEN) anticipates that \$50,000 to \$100,000 may be needed in order to perform the analysis and complete the report required in this bill. Funds are to be used for a contractor with the required expertise. According to DEN, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) does not have the requisite in-house expertise to conduct this study. Information from DEQ is not currently available.							
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Energy; Department of Environmental Quality.							
10.	10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.							
11.	11. Other Comments: None.							