

Department of Planning and Budget

2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB657

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Stuart

3. Committee: Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

4. Title: Air Pollution Control Board and State Water Control Board; transfer of authority.

5. Summary: Limits the authority of the Air Pollution Control Board and the State Water Control Board (the Boards) to issuance of regulations and transfers the Boards' existing authority to issue permits and orders to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). Requires that at each regular meeting of the Boards, the Director of DEQ provide an overview and update regarding any controversial permits pending before DEQ that are relevant to the Boards, which shall have an immediate opportunity to respond. DEQ is further required to publish a summary of public comments received and DEQ's responses to the same. After such publication, DEQ is required to provide opportunity for correction of factual misstatements from individuals who previously commented.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: It is anticipated that any fiscal impact on the Department of Environmental Quality as a result of this bill can be absorbed within existing resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Environmental Quality; State Water control Board; State Air Pollution Control Board; localities

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.