Department of Planning and Budget 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB1	164				
	House of Origin		Introduced		Substitute		Engrossed
	Second House		In Committee		Substitute	\boxtimes	Enrolled
2.	Patron: I	Lopez					
3. Committee: Passed both Houses							
4.	Title: Department of Environmental Quality; policy statement.						
5.	Summary: Adds provisions for addressing climate change and for the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, faith, disability, or income with respect to the administration of environmental laws, regulations, and policies in the statement of the Department of Environmental Quality's purpose. The bill also adds the enhancement of the environment and the promotion of the health and well-being of the Commonwealth's residents and visitors to the Department's policy goals.						
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No.						
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final. 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 resources in HB/SB30, as introduced, which includes \$2.7 million from the general fund to support 18 positions and contract work to support environmental justice and outreach efforts. Budget amendments to HB30/SB30 adopted by the House and the Senate, respectively, reduce funding proposed for DEQ in the introduced budget bill, but it is unclear whether these reductions affect the funding DEQ would use toward the implementation of this bill.						
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Environmental Quality						
10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.							

11. Other Comments: None.