

Department of Planning and Budget
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Bill Number: HB154

Patron: Thomas

Bill Title: Department of Environmental Quality; data centers; use of emergency generation unit; disclosure requirements.

Bill Summary: Directs the Department of Environmental Quality to require each data center that operates an emergency generation unit, as those terms are defined in the bill, to report on a publicly accessible website within 24 hours the times when such emergency generation unit will be in operation.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

Items Impacted: N/A

Explanation: This bill involves the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ); however, no budget action is required. See Fiscal Analysis section, below.

Fiscal Summary: It is anticipated that any costs DEQ may incur can be absorbed within existing resources.

Fiscal Analysis: This impact statement is preliminary. It is anticipated that the Department of Environmental Quality can absorb any costs associated with the implementation of this bill.

Other: None.