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## Fiscal Note

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### **H.740 – An act relating to the greenhouse gas inventory and registry**

**As recommended by the House Committee on Energy and Digital Infrastructure, Draft 2.3<sup>1</sup>**

#### **Bill Summary**

**T**his bill proposes to give the Agency of Natural Resources (ANR) additional authority to collect data for the greenhouse gas inventory and registry.

#### **Fiscal Impact**

This bill would give authority to the Secretary of Natural Resources to adopt rules that create a comprehensive greenhouse gas emission reporting program. In addition to other funds appropriated to ANR in fiscal year 2027, this bill would appropriate \$500,000 in base funding. It would also create two new permanent classified positions at ANR.

#### **Background and Details**

The following section has a fiscal impact.

#### **Section 3**

In order to support the drafting of the greenhouse gas emission reporting program, development of a greenhouse gas source database, and the staff required to implement emission source data collection, this bill appropriates \$500,000 in additional base funding to ANR in fiscal year 2027.

This bill would also create two new permanent classified positions in ANR. The estimated total cost for these positions in fiscal year 2027 is \$185,000.

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<sup>1</sup> *The Joint Fiscal Office (JFO) is a nonpartisan legislative office dedicated to producing unbiased fiscal analysis – this fiscal note is meant to provide information for legislative consideration, not to provide policy recommendations.*

*The bill as introduced can be found here: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0740/H-0740%20As%20Introduced.pdf>*

*The full fiscal note history is available on the fiscal tab of the bill page on the General Assembly website and can be pulled up through a bill number search on the JFO page.*