

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DNR 4/4/2006

LRB Number	05-4731/8	Introduction Number	AB-1129	Estimate Type	Original
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill modifies the deer hunting seasons, herd control opportunities and creates deer hunting approvals. For the fiscal impact, the department considered the following aspects of the bill in this analysis. This bill:

Creates a muzzleloader license valid only during the muzzleloader only seasons (\$24 Resident, \$160 Non-resident, and \$15 Youth);

Requires the Department to create a 2-day antlerless only youth gun deer hunt on the same weekend as the early 4-day October muzzleloader season. Youth hunters would be able to hunt without a license provided they have graduated from a hunter education course. These youth hunters would be issued a special antlerless carcass tag;

Requires the Department to issue 2 carcass tags which are only valid in "herd control areas" with every deer hunting license;

Requires the Department to issue one buck tag and one antlerless tag valid statewide with an archery license;

Requires the Department to pay license vendors a an additional \$0.50 transaction fee for each approval they issue that includes a deer carcass tag from the fish and wildlife account (except for sports and patron licenses);

Funds the Agricultural Damage Program through the sale of muzzleloader licenses deposited in a new appropriation;

Allows any legal weapon to be used during the "regular deer hunting season" under the authority of a gun deer license, including bows and muzzleloaders.

Potential requests for refunds for Conservation Patron and Sports Licenses (Privilege included with licenses already sold). Development/This License Year Costs - \$42,361

ALIS Change Costs - Cost to add licenses and upgrade ALIS terminals. Development/This License Year Costs - \$8,000

Issue Muzzleloader Licenses (approximately 70,000)(Includes \$.75 issuance fee for each license as revenue to the F&W account, \$.50 issuance fee to vendors for tags as cost to the F&W account, and \$23.25 revenue to new Ag Damage appropriation for each new license sold.) Impact on Revenues - \$52,500; Ongoing Annual Costs - \$216,930; Ag Damage Account - \$1,627,500.

Issue 2-day Youth Hunting License (approximately 49,000 @ \$1.50 each). Ongoing Annual Costs - \$73,500

Costs to Issue Additional Tags / Replace Already Issued Tags. Development/This Year License Costs - \$145,915; Ongoing Annual Costs - \$384,996.

Anticipated Revenue Loss from Bonus Permit Sales Free Statewide Antlerless Archery Carcass Tag. Ag Damage Account - -\$489,824.

Totals: Impact on Revenues - \$52,500; One-time Costs - \$196,276; Ongoing Annual Costs - \$675,377; Ag
Damage Account - \$1,137,676

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2005 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

Original
 Updated
 Corrected
 Supplemental

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect): \$196,300 for licensing system development and related implementation costs.								
II. Annualized Costs:								
Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:								
	Increased Costs	Decreased Costs						
A. State Costs by Category								
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$							
(FTE Position Changes)								
State Operations - Other Costs	675,400							
Local Assistance								
Aids to Individuals or Organizations								
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$675,400	\$						
B. State Costs by Source of Funds								
GPR								
FED								
PRO/PRS								
SEG/SEG-S	675,400							
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)								
	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev						
GPR Taxes	\$	\$						
GPR Earned								
FED								
PRO/PRS								
SEG/SEG-S	1,680,000	-489,800						
TOTAL State Revenues	\$1,680,000	-\$489,800						
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT								
	State	Local						
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$675,400	\$						
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$1,190,200	\$						
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