

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Description the transfer of wild turkey hunting authorizations					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Current law allows for the transfer of a turkey harvest authorization awarded through the preference drawing only to a minor or to a person holding a disabled hunting permit as long as the person being transferred the authorization is authorized to use the authorization, and has not been transferred that type of authorization in their lifetime. Current law also requires an application to transfer an awarded permit/authorization be submitted to the department at least 15 days prior to the start of the season for which the authorization is valid.

This bill will expand the types of turkey harvest authorizations that may be transferred to include those "leftover" authorizations available for sale after authorizations are distributed via the preference drawing and transfers between those holding awarded turkey harvest authorizations. This bill expands the eligibility to receive a turkey authorization transfer to include anyone holding a turkey harvest authorization who is eligible to use the authorization. In addition, this bill expands the number of turkey authorization transfers a person may receive from a limit of no more than one per lifetime to no more than one per year. Further, this bill shortens the number days before the start of the season that an application for a transfer may be submitted from 15 days currently in statute to no later than the first day of the earlier time period.

I. Costs

The provisions of this bill will increase the number of transfer requests received by the department and decrease the time the department has to respond to turkey authorization transfer requests. The current license issuance system is not designed to facilitate the transfer of harvest authorizations between two customers. Additional costs would be required to build an autonomous transfer feature in the current licensing system. A preliminary estimate of the cost to design and build an autonomous transfer feature within the license issuance system is estimated to be a minimum of \$68,500, which is comprised of the following:

A minimum of 500 hours of developer time (contractor) @ \$125/hour = \$62,500
120 hours Business Analyst time @ \$50/ hour = \$6,000

It is not feasible to create an autonomous feature within the licensing system to accomplish such transfers in time for License Year 2018 and all transfer requests would, therefore, be handled administratively by department staff until such a feature could be designed in a future license year. The department issued 212,456 turkey harvest authorizations in 2017. As an hypothetical example, if 10% of turkey authorization holders opted to transfer their permits amongst themselves, the department would receive 21,246 additional transfer applications. Assuming each application for transfer takes an average 10 minutes to complete and assuming each application is complete and does not require the Customer Service Representative (CSR) to contact one or both of the transferees, the additional time required would equal 3,541 hours. Assuming \$24 per hour average CSR rate plus applicable fringe, the additional transfer application processing cost per year until an autonomous transfer feature could be built would be \$84,984.

$21,246 \text{ applications} * 10 \text{ min. process time/application} * 1 \text{ hr.}60 \text{ min.} = 3,541 \text{ hours processing time}$
 $3,541 \text{ hours} * \$24/\text{hour (average CSR rate plus applicable fringe)} = \$84,984$

Under the provisions of this bill, the application for transfer need only be submitted "no later than the first day of the earlier of the season time periods" and so it is conceivable the department could receive more than 21,000 applications on the first day of the spring turkey season's first time period. Assuming department staff would be required to complete transfer applications in as little as one day, the department would need to secure additional staff to process the anticipated volume of transfer applications in a timely manner. Transfer applications could be expected to be submitted by customers over an approximately 10-week period. Some unknown number of applications for transfer would be submitted shortly after.

customers are notified of the turkey authorization drawing results (late Jan.), while the majority could be expected to be submitted after the leftover authorizations go on sale (mid-March). Since the first three time periods of the spring season are the most desirable, the number of applications received would likely drop significantly following the start of the third time period (mid-April).

II. Revenue

The provisions of this bill have an indeterminate effect on revenue.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2017 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

Original
 Updated
 Corrected
 Supplemental

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Description the transfer of wild turkey hunting authorizations		
I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect): \$68,500 to design and build an autonomous transfer feature within the license issuance system, plus additional staff time for customer service representatives to process transfer applications until the transfer feature is built.		
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		
Local Assistance		
Aids to Individuals or Organizations		
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$	\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds		
GPR		
FED		
PRO/PRS		
SEG/SEG-S		
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, ets.)		
	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes	\$	\$
GPR Earned		
FED		
PRO/PRS		
SEG/SEG-S		
TOTAL State Revenues	\$	\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT		
	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$	\$
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