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 CORRECTED     SUPPLEMENTAL

**FISCAL ESTIMATE**  
 DOA-2048 N(R10/94)

**Subject**

Application requirements for metallic mining permits.

**Fiscal Effect**

State:  No State Fiscal Effect

Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or affects a sum sufficient appropriation.

Increase Costs - May be possible to Absorb Within Agency's Budget     Yes     No  
 Decrease Costs

Increase Existing Appropriation     Increase Existing Revenues  
 Decrease Existing Appropriation     Decrease Existing Revenues  
 Create New Appropriation

Local:  No local government costs

1.  Increase Costs  
 Permissive     Mandatory  
 2.  Decrease Costs  
 Permissive     Mandatory

3.  Increase Revenues  
 Permissive     Mandatory  
 4.  Decrease Revenues  
 Permissive     Mandatory

5. Types of Local Government Units Affected:  
 Towns     Villages     Cities  
 Counties     WTCS Districts  
 School Districts     Others

**Fund Sources Affected**

GPR     FED     PRO     PRS     SEG     SEG-S

**Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**

20.370 (2) (gh)

**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

**SUMMARY OF BILL** - AB 459 revises the information required from applicants for a metallic mining permit and revises the circumstances under which the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) must deny a mining permit.

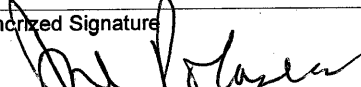
**Mining Permit Information** - Current law requires persons applying for a mining permit to provide information concerning occurrences within ten years of the application (for the applicant or related persons): forfeiture in the United States of mining reclamation bonds; felony convictions for mining-related violations of state or federal environmental protection laws; financial problems resulting in failure to reclaim a mining site in the United States; and revocation of mining permits in the United States because of failure to reclaim a mining site. AB 459 requires the applicants to report to DNR the following additional information: any civil penalty or restitution imposed in amounts over \$10,000 or requirements to spend over \$10,000 to remedy environmental pollution imposed on the applicant or related person for a mining-related violation of state or federal environmental protection laws; and any criminal or civil penalties or restitution imposed on the applicant or related persons of over \$10,000 Canadian or to expend over \$10,000 Canadian to remedy environmental pollution for violation of an environmental law arising out of operating a mining site in Canada.

**Denial of Mining Permits** - Current law requires DNR to deny a mining permit if, within ten years of applying, the applicant or a related person has: forfeited a mining reclamation bond in the United States, failed to reclaim a mining site in the United States due to financial problems or had a mining permit revoked due to such failure; or been convicted of more than one felony for mining-related violations of environmental laws in the United States. A permit may be granted if the applicant or related person that has been convicted of more than one mining-related violation of environmental protection laws submits a plan to prevent similar occurrences. AB 459 eliminates the provision that allows a mining permit be granted to applicants convicted of felony violations of environmental laws if they submit a plan to prevent similar occurrences. The bill also requires DNR to deny a mining permit if the applicant or a related person has demonstrated through a pattern of occurrences required to be reported, an unwillingness or inability to comply with environmental protection laws.

**FISCAL IMPACT** - AB 459 will impose minimal fiscal impact. Some additional review of permit applications will be required along with some additional mailing and processing costs for current mining applications. This is expected to be a one-time cost of \$1,000.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

No long-range fiscal implications are expected. The additional information required will be built into the application process on a one-time basis and review and analysis of this added information will require minimal time and effort.

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**FISCAL ESTIMATE WORKSHEET**

**1999 Session**

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect  
DOA-2047 (R10/94)

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LRB or Bill No./Adm. Rule No.	Amendment No.
AB 459, 99-0856/1	

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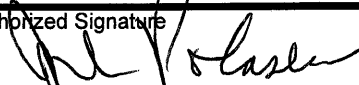
**I. One-Time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):**

\$1,000 in one-time review and processing costs.

<b>II. Annualized Costs:</b>	<b>Annualized Fiscal impact on State funds from:</b>	
<b>A. State Costs by Category</b>	<b>Increased Costs</b>	<b>Decreased Costs</b>
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$0	
(FTE Position Changes)		
State Operations - Other Costs	\$0	
Local Assistance	\$0	
Aids to Individuals or Organizations	\$0	
<b>TOTAL State Costs by Category</b>	\$0	
<b>B. State Costs by Source of Funds</b>	<b>Increased Costs</b>	<b>Decreased Costs</b>
GPR		
FED		
PRO/PRS		
SEG/SEG-S		
<b>III. State Revenues:</b>	<b>Increased Rev.</b>	<b>Decreased Rev.</b>
<small>Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)</small>		
GPR Taxes	\$0	
GPR Earned	\$0	
FED	\$0	
PRO/PRS	\$0	
SEG/SEG-S	\$0	
<b>TOTAL State Revenues</b>	\$0	

**NET ANNUALIZED IMPACT**

	<u>STATE</u>	<u>LOCAL</u>
<b>NET CHANGE IN COSTS</b>	\$0	\$0
<b>NET CHANGE IN REVENUES</b>	\$0	\$0

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