

ORIGINAL  UPDATED  
 CORRECTED  SUPPLEMENTAL

**FISCAL ESTIMATE**

DOA-2048 N(R10/94)

Subject

Wetlands Mitigation

Fiscal Effect

State:  No State Fiscal Effect

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

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

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

Decrease Costs

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

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

SUMMARY OF BILL - This bill requires that the Department promulgate rules to regulate wetlands mitigation and requires that the Department initiate negotiations with the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers (ACE) to establish guidelines for wetlands mitigation projects and banking. Under the bill, a wetland mitigation project is one that restores, enhances or creates a wetland to compensate for adverse impacts to other wetlands or that uses credits from a "wetlands mitigation bank"--that is, a system of accounting for wetland loss and compensation that includes one or more sites where wetlands are restored, enhanced or created to provide transferable credits to be subsequently applied to compensate for adverse impacts to other wetlands. The bill allows the Department to consider wetland mitigation in determining whether to grant a permit or other approval for an activity that will have an adverse effect on the wetland.

FISCAL IMPACT - The bill directs the Department to promulgate rules to regulate wetlands mitigation projects and negotiate with the ACE to establish guidelines for mitigation projects and banking. The one-time costs associated with this will be absorbed in the Department's current budget. It is likely that there may be additional fiscal effects on the Department associated with implementing a wetlands mitigation program. However, those potential costs cannot be reliably estimated until the Department has proceeded with the rulemaking and negotiations required by this bill.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

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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. SB 447	Amendment No.
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Subject  
Wetlands Mitigation

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

<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 (FTE Position Changes)		
State Operations - Other Costs		
Local Assistance		
Aids to Individuals or Organizations		
<b>TOTAL State Costs by Category</b>	\$0	\$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		
GPR Earned		
FED		
PRO/PRS		
SEG/SEG-S		
<b>TOTAL State Revenues</b>	\$0	\$0

**NET ANNUALIZED IMPACT**

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

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