



**Fiscal Estimate Narratives**

**DNR 4/6/01**

LRB Number <b>01-2380/1</b>	Introduction Number <b>AB-251</b>	Estimate Type <b>Original</b>
<b>Subject</b> Limits on sturgeon fishing		

**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

**Bill Summary:**

Under current law, a sturgeon spearing license may not be issued during the open season for spearing rock or lake sturgeon (nonissuance period). The open season is currently set by rule promulgated by the Department of Natural Resources to begin on the second Saturday in February and to continue for 16 consecutive days. (The rule is in NR 20.20(73)(e)2.c. and applies specifically to Lake Winnebago.)

This bill extends the nonissuance period by four months so that it begins on the October 1 preceding the open season and ends on the last day of the season. The bill also exempts two groups of persons from this prohibition on being issued licenses during this period: residents who turn 14 years old and residents who are in the armed forces outside Wisconsin and who are on furlough during the nonissuance period.

**Fiscal Estimate:**

The Department could implement this legislation for approximately \$20,000. Most of this cost (\$10,000 - \$15,000) would be to make two changes in the Automated License Issuance System (ALIS). The first change would be to allow only Department sales outlets to issue sturgeon licenses after October 1. This would enable the Department to assure that the only spearing licenses sold during the nonissuance period would be to individuals meeting the two exemptions. The second, more costly, change would be to modify the way the Conservation Patron license and its associated approvals are issued. Finally, there would be a relatively small cost of about \$5,000 to print and distribute new sturgeon spearing information.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

None.

## Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2001 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

Original
  Updated
  Corrected
  Supplemental

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<b>I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):</b> \$20,000 to modify automated fishing licenses and inform the public.			
<b>II. Annualized Costs:</b>		<b>Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:</b>	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
<b>A. State Costs by Category</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>		\$	\$
<b>B. State Costs by Source of Funds</b>			
GPR			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
<b>III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, ets.)</b>			
		Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes		\$	\$
GPR Earned			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
<b>TOTAL State Revenues</b>		\$	\$
<b>NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT</b>			
		State	Local
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$	\$
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