

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DNR 3/31/2005

LRB Number	05-1678/2	Introduction Number	AB-248	Estimate Type	Original
Subject					
Mandatory boating certificates for certain persons over 16					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Bill Summary: The bill requires successful passage of a mandatory boating safety course for persons 16 years of age or older and who are born after January 1, 1989. Currently, boat safety courses exist but are not mandatory. Under current law, a person 16 years old or older may operate a motorboat without completing a safety course or passing a boat operation test. The bill also prohibits operation of a boat if a person is under age 10; requires persons aged 10-12 to be with a parent, guardian or other adult if they are operating a boat; and requires 12-16 year olds to either have a boating safety course certificate or be accompanied by a parent, guardian or other adult.

Fiscal Estimate: There will be increased costs related to offering boating safety classes to more students, and these costs will be offset by increased revenues paid by the participating students.

Course Costs: The Department estimates it will be able to accommodate the increased student numbers using existing options for certifying students: instructor-lead classes, web classes, and proctored exams. The funding for course materials will be paid for with the program revenue that is generated based on the number of students that sign up for the course. It is assumed there will be an increase in the number of students taking the safety course or taking the test, but this number cannot be estimated at this time. Under current law, students must pay \$5.00 to be certified. It is assumed there will be an increase in revenue, but the revenue cannot be estimated at this time. The database system to track persons who pass the safety course is already in place and can accommodate the increase in numbers.

Warden Workload Cost: It is not possible to stop a boater based on age appropriateness only. A boat warden may stop a potential violator based on the violation in question, such as creating a wake in a no wake zone. The course certification proof made necessary because of this bill will become part of the steps in the existing process of boat enforcement. There will be no increase in warden boating enforcement costs as a result of this bill.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

None

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):			
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			
		State	Local
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$	\$
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