

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	09-2103/1	Introduction Number	AB-0360	Estimate Type	Original
Description Discharges of ballast water and related substances into the waters of the state, aquatic nuisance species, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, granting rule-making authority, and making an appropriation					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill prohibits ballast water discharges and sediments that have settled out of ballast water into the waters of the state, from a vessel that takes on ballast water outside of the waters of the state without a permit. In addition, the bill requires the Department to promulgate rules specifying permit fees and any additional requirements it determines are necessary to ensure that aquatic nuisance species do not enter the waters of the state through discharges.

Assumptions:

2009 Act 28, the 2009-11 biennial budget act, establishes a new ballast water discharge permit program for the state. The program authorizes the Department to charge a \$1,200 application fee for 5 years of permit coverage as well as a \$345 annual fee for every ship permitted under the program. Assuming that 400 ships would be subject to the fees in the first year of the program, the Department estimates first-year fee revenue of \$618,000, comprised of \$480,000 in application fees (400 x \$1,200) and \$138,000 in annual fees (400 x \$345). The fees that are specified in Act 28 would not apply after June 30, 2013, when the Department will be authorized to establish new fees via administrative rule.

To administer the program, Act 28 also provides for 3.0 FTE wastewater specialist-advanced positions, 2 limited term employees (LTEs), and corresponding expenditure authority of \$210,400 in FY 2010 and \$246,400 in FY 2011 in a newly-established program revenue appropriation [20.370 (4)(aj)].

Since Act 28 has already established a ballast water permit program of a similar nature, the Department assumes that this bill will have no additional new fiscal effect.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2009 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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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, etc.)			
		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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