

Fiscal Estimate - 2015 Session

Original
 Updated
 Corrected
 Supplemental

LRB Number 15-2812/1	Introduction Number SB-241
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Description
 Possession of certain wild animals and providing a penalty

Fiscal Effect

State:

- No State Fiscal Effect
 Indeterminate
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations | <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations | | <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs |

Local:

- No Local Government Costs
 Indeterminate
- | | | |
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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs | 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue | 5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Towns <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Village <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others
<input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory | <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory | |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs | 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory | <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory | |

Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
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GPR
 FED
 PRO
 PRS
 SEG
 SEGs

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill generally prohibits the possession, propagation, and sale of dangerous exotic animals. The bill defines dangerous exotic animals and exempts certain entities from the prohibition.

The bill authorizes a person who does not qualify for an exemption but who owns a dangerous exotic animal when the bill takes effect to continue to possess the animal if the person registers the animal with the municipality in which the person keeps the animal and meets requirements specified in the bill. A municipality must accept registrations of dangerous exotic animals and shall charge a fee for the registration.

The bill authorizes a city, village, town, or county to enact an ordinance relating to dangerous exotic animals if the ordinance is at least as strict as the provisions in the bill relating to dangerous exotic animals.

The bill eliminates DNR's authority, under the captive wildlife law, to regulate dangerous exotic animals, including nonnative bears, as harmful wild animals.

The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection is required to certify and provide training to humane officers to ensure they are at least minimally qualified to perform the duties of a humane officer. The provisions under this bill may require the department to modify the training program to inform humane officers of the new requirements relating to "dangerous exotic animals." Because the department is authorized to charge a fee sufficient to cover the costs of training courses it provides, the bill will have no fiscal effect on the department.

The fiscal impact to a city, village, town or county will depend on their current regulations, if any, regarding the ownership of dangerous exotic animals. Assuming they do not already register entities that own dangerous exotic animals and charge a fee for such registration, this bill will require they do so. The department has no collective data on how these activities are addressed at the local government level. The department has no means to estimate fees charged, the number of persons wishing to register a dangerous exotic animal, and the enforcement actions taken by the jurisdiction to implement the provisions under the bill.

Additionally, the department has no data on the prevalence of dangerous exotic animals by which to estimate the cost of enforcement at the local level.

Therefore any fiscal effect this bill may have on those entities is indeterminate.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications