

Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session

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LRB Number 21-4590/1	Introduction Number AB-0576
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Description
 raffling lake sturgeon culled from state fish hatcheries

Fiscal Effect

State:

<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease 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 Costs
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Local:

<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others 0 <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts
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Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS	

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DNR 9/23/2021

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill authorizes an organization known as Sturgeon for Tomorrow (SFT) to request that DNR annually transfer up to 15 carcasses of lake sturgeon culled from state fish hatcheries to be awarded as prizes in a raffle. The bill requires the organization to preserve the carcasses for taxidermy and mounting and to provide to each person who receives a carcass a certificate of transfer. The bill also requires the organization to use all proceeds from these raffles to promote sturgeon management, conduct sturgeon habitat management, promote sturgeon reintroduction, or further sturgeon research.

A. Assumptions & Background Information

1. The base value of sub-adult lake sturgeon raised in the state fish hatcheries is estimated to be about \$2.70 per fish; assuming SFT requests and the department is able to provide 15 sturgeon per year, the total base value of the sturgeon would be ~\$40.
2. The department typically disposes of fish that die of natural causes or fish euthanized as part of routine state hatchery work in a manner other than sale; the department would not lose revenue by transferring lake sturgeon to SFT.
3. The bill specifies SFT would be responsible for preserving the carcass for taxidermy and mounting, and the department will furnish a certificate-of-transfer for each sturgeon awarded in the raffle. SFT would bear any costs of shipping the sturgeon to a taxidermist, as well as the costs for preparing the sturgeon for mounting.

B. State Fiscal Effect--Revenue

The bill is likely to result in a slight, indeterminate, and variable increase in revenue, dependent on: 1) the number of sturgeon requested by Sturgeon for Tomorrow (SFT) from the department; 2) the number of sturgeon the department provided to SFT for the raffle; 3) the amount of fundraising achieved by the SFT raffle; and 4) the amount of fundraising SFT voluntarily decides to donate back to the department for: a) promoting sturgeon management; b) conducting sturgeon habitat management; c) promoting sturgeon reintroduction; or (d) furthering sturgeon research.

C. State Fiscal Effect--Costs

No department costs are expected to be incurred as a result of the bill other than negligible costs for printing certificates of transfer.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications