# Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session

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# Fiscal Estimate Narratives DNR 3/15/2022

LRB Number <b>21-6210/1</b>	Introduction Number	AB-1162	Estimate Type	Original
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## **Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

The bill specifies that the Department may allow the hunting and trapping of wolves but does not require it.

#### Fiscal Effect

- A. The Department assumes that wolf harvests will be held unless the wolf is listed as endangered, protected, or threatened by federal or state laws, or by the courts. Under this scenario, the bill has no fiscal effect.
- B. By comparison, if a wolf hunting and trapping season is not held, the department would not accept hunting and trapping applications, including applications for wolf hunting preference points, and would thus forgo the revenue generated from those applications.

For the February 2021 regulated wolf harvest season, the department received approximately \$350,000 in revenue from application and license sales, and it assumes that future seasons would generate a similar amount of revenue from those sales.

If the Department forgoes revenue from license and application sales, there would be an inability to leverage federal funding for livestock depredation and abatement. In 2020, the department received \$70,000 in federal funding for that purpose and it assumes that a similar level of funding will be available in future years.

### **Long-Range Fiscal Implications**