

### Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session

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<b>LRB Number</b> <b>21-4472/1</b>	<b>Introduction Number</b> <b>SB-580</b>
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**Description**  
 eliminating the mandatory wolf hunt

**Fiscal Effect**

**State:**

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

**Local:**

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

<b>Fund Sources Affected</b>	<b>Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS	20.370(1)(my); (5)(fv)

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**Fiscal Estimate Narratives**

**DNR 10/29/2021**

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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**