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### **Fuel Tax Transfer Reestimates (Miscellaneous Appropriations and DNR -- Fish, Wildlife, and Recreation)**

[LFB 2003-05 Budget Summary: Page 305, #7, Page 318-319, #16 (part) and #17]

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#### **CURRENT LAW**

Annually, motor fuel tax revenue is transferred to the water resources, snowmobile, and all-terrain vehicle (ATV) accounts. The amounts transferred are based on the number of boats, snowmobiles, and ATVs registered and the motor fuel tax assessed on statutorily-specified dates.

#### **MODIFICATION**

Provide for the following changes to the fuel tax transfers to reflect reestimates based on recent data. In addition, decrease associated snowmobile trail aids estimates in the bill by the same amount, \$557,200 SEG in 2003-04 and by \$644,500 SEG in 2004-05 and increase ATV trail aids by \$68,600 SEG in 2003-04 and by \$160,900 SEG in 2004-05.

	<u>2003-04</u>	<u>2004-05</u>
Water Resources		
Bill	\$11,398,800	\$11,818,700
Change to Bill	<u>952,700</u>	<u>906,400</u>
Total Reestimate	\$12,351,500	\$12,725,100
 Snowmobile		
Bill	\$4,660,000	\$4,868,100
Change to Bill	<u>-557,200</u>	<u>-644,500</u>
Total Reestimate	\$4,102,800	\$4,223,600
 ATV		
Bill	\$1,168,800	\$1,244,700
Change to Bill	<u>68,600</u>	<u>160,900</u>
Total Reestimate	\$1,237,400	\$1,405,600
 Total Change to Bill	 \$464,100	 \$422,800

<u>Modification</u>	<u>SEG</u>
<b>2003-05 FUNDING</b> (Change to Bill)	- \$85,300

**Explanation:**

**Motorboat:** The total amount of motor fuel tax revenue to be transferred to the water resources account is reestimated to be \$12,351,500 in 2003-04 and \$12,725,100 in 2004-05. The reestimates are based on: (a) the actual motor fuel tax rate of 28.5¢ per gallon on April 1, 2003 and an estimated rate of 29.1¢ on April 1, 2004; and (b) the actual 619,124 motorboats registered on April 1, 2003, and an estimated 624,696 motorboats registered on April 1, 2004.

**Snowmobile:** The total amount of motor fuel tax revenue to be transferred to the snowmobile account is reestimated to be \$4,102,800 in 2003-04 and \$4,223,600 in 2004-05. The reestimates are based on: (a) the actual motor fuel tax rate of 28.1¢ per gallon on February 28, 2003 and 28.5¢ on February 28, 2004; and (b) the actual 208,581 snowmobiles registered on February 28, 2003, and an estimated 211,710 snowmobiles registered on February 28, 2004.

**ATV:** The total amount of motor fuel tax revenue to be transferred to the ATV account is reestimated to be \$1,237,400 in 2003-04 and \$1,405,600 in 2004-05. The reestimates are based on: (a) the actual motor fuel tax rate of 28.1¢ per gallon on February 28, 2003 and 28.5¢ on February 28, 2004; and (b) the actual 176,146 ATVs registered on February 28, 2003, and an estimated 197,284 ATVs registered on February 28, 2004.

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